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## OUR TROUBLES.

### SPEECH BY SIR EDWARD STUBBS.

#### FAITH IN FUTURE.

London, Dec. 15.

Sir Edward Stubbs, late  
Governor of Hongkong was a  
guest of the Colonial Institute at  
a City luncheon. He emphasised  
that the troubles in Hongkong  
were started by Russian agitators  
in Canton who made no secret of  
their intention to ruin Hongkong.  
He contended that his counter-  
strike methods were not unpopular  
amongst those whom they meant  
to protect. He did not think that  
the trouble would last much longer  
for he had great faith in the  
common sense of the Kwangtung  
Chinese who, before long would  
purify Canton of its Red element.

When the situation was normal,  
Hongkong would have a future far  
exceeding the past. There was no  
possibility of Hongkong being cut  
out by any other port, and the  
Cantonese were talking wildly  
about developing Whampoa which,  
however, would require much  
dredging and had other draw-  
backs. If competition came, he  
had no doubt that Hongkong  
would win.

The really important question  
was the completion of the rail-  
way from Canton to Hankow. He  
feared that the late Dr. Sun Yat-  
sen misunderstood him during the  
recent abortive negotiations to  
finance the Canton line from  
Hongkong funds. As a result of  
Sun Yat-sen's death the power had  
passed into the hands of certain  
persons who had neither his in-  
terest in or tolerance of the Bri-  
tish. This was the beginning of  
the Bolshevik movement in South  
China.—*Reuter.*

### CONNAUGHT ROAD "ATTACK."

#### CHINESE "VIOLENTLY ASSAULTED."

A brief scuffle, tremendous com-  
motion followed by the bitter  
lamentations of some unfortunate  
soul in the midst of the crowd  
which gathered at the average rate  
of about ten per second, attracted  
the attention of the Hongkong  
Police Force in Connaught Road  
Central at about eleven o'clock this  
morning.

The Hongkong Police Force is  
referred to because in less time  
than it takes to write it there were  
five Chinese constables and a  
European detective-inspector at the  
scene of the "crime."

Bursting his way through the  
crowd the inspector eventually  
found the victim. Agitated—  
he was quivering at the knees  
—and yet excited, the gray-  
beard (he would have been  
any facial adornment) complained  
of being violently assaulted by the  
person whom he had engaged to  
carry his luggage. The delinquent  
had run into a nearby shop he de-  
clared, and the inspector therefore  
sent his merry men to search for  
the culprit.

The disturber of the public peace  
was at last discovered and the  
inspector forthwith registered a men-  
tal shock. The "criminal" was  
probably three feet six since  
he wore neither shoes nor socks,  
and was of an age at which a  
person is to be deemed incapable

## OUR FIRE BRIGADE.

### NEW APPLIANCE ARRIVES.

A valuable addition to the fire-  
fighting service of the Colony  
graced the Central Fire Station  
this morning in the shape of a  
new Merryweather appliance.  
Appliance No. 11, as it will be  
known, has something in the  
region of a 60 h.p. motor and is  
capable of sixty miles an hour on  
the straight.

The engine is the latest Merry-  
weather type and carries, as part  
of the equipment, an escape.

## NEW BOYCOTT.

### PAKHOI'S ANTI-BRITISH MOVE.

#### PICKETS ACTIVE.

Our Pakhoi correspondent,  
writing under date of the 11th in-  
stant, states that at a meeting  
held in the rooms of the Chamber  
of Commerce on the 9th instant,  
it was decided strictly to boycott  
all steamers from Hongkong, and  
also to place an embargo on all  
British goods coming from other  
ports. A steamer which arrived  
from Hongkong on the following  
day was unable to discharge her  
cargo.

Another correspondent, writing  
on the subject, states that pro-  
clamations have been posted in  
the town prohibiting all trade  
with Hongkong or other British  
ports. British steamers are not  
permitted either to load or dis-  
charge cargo, but non-British  
boats are allowed to trade provid-  
ing they do not touch at British  
ports en route to Pakhoi.

Anyone attempting to land Bri-  
tish goods will render themselves  
liable to punishment and to con-  
fiscation of the cargo, whilst there  
is a strict ban placed on passen-  
gers departing by British boats.

Armed pickets have been or-  
ganised to carry out these regu-  
lations, and they are already ac-  
tive both ashore and afloat.

## IN THE SOUTH.

### LATEST MILITARY MOVEMENTS.

Following the news that the  
Yunnan unit of Chu Pui-tek has  
returned to its original stations in  
the North River sector, a report  
is to hand which states that the  
Hanan unit, which has been en-  
gaged in active service in the  
south-west, is now to be released  
from active service and is ordered  
to proceed to Siu Hing to take up  
stations there, as the last division  
of Li Chai-sum's army corps has  
been transferred to Kongmoon ac-  
cording to the previous arrange-  
ment made with Chu Pui-tek.

The south-west sector is thus  
now under the entire command of  
Li Chai-sum and any further  
operations against Lui-chow will  
not be undertaken until the arrival  
of the 10th Division under Chai  
Chai-long from active service in  
the East sector. This division is  
said to already have arrived at  
Ping Hu, waiting to be transported  
back to Canton by train.

Our previous report that Lai-  
chow will be gradually invested  
instead of a direct attack being  
made upon it, is now confirmed.  
It is expected that this method of  
conducting operations may lead to  
the voluntary surrender of the  
city without further bloodshed,  
which is very probable in view of  
the fact that only a small force is  
defending the city and is complete-  
ly isolated, with very little hope

## CHANG KAI-SHEK.

### CANTON AWAITING HIS RETURN.

#### BUSY IN EAST.

There has been much speculation  
in Canton as to the probable cause  
of the delay in General Chang Kai-  
shek's return to that city, where  
there are many questions awaiting  
his presence to be discussed and de-  
cided upon. It is known that  
General Chang has been kept ex-  
tremely busy since his entry into  
Swatow. In spite of manifold  
affairs in connection with the sur-  
rendered soldiers of the Yuet  
Kuen, and the making of prepara-  
tions for any contingency that may  
arise on the frontiers of Fukien  
and Kiangsi, together with the mul-  
titudinous duties relating to civil  
administration, he has still found  
time to tackle the question of the  
suppression of the bandits, whose  
numbers have been largely in-  
creased from the ranks of the de-  
feated and disbanded soldiers.

In this connection, it is stated  
that the East River sector has been  
divided into three sections, called  
the Waichow, Moy Yune and Chao  
Chow districts, for the suppression  
of brigandage. The Waichow sec-  
tion is entrusted to Tan Che-hing,  
whilst in the Moy-Yune section,  
Ching Chai will have charge,  
and the Chao Chow section will  
have Ho Ying-yum as its respon-  
sible commander. It is also stated  
that a proclamation will be issued  
very soon calling upon the people  
to co-operate with the military in  
the suppression of banditry, under  
the severest penalties.

The report further states that  
since the clandestine flight of the  
Acting Mayor of Swatow, Chow  
Yan-loi, the Administrator of Civil  
Affairs in the East River sector, and  
Li Hop-kung, secretary of Political  
Affairs and Kuomintang represen-  
tative of the 1st Army Corps, have  
been arrested and detained by a  
secret order from the Canton Go-  
vernment. Both arrests are said  
to have a connection with the ab-  
sconded Mayor, who is accused of  
selling certain magisterial posts,  
for no fewer than eight newly-  
appointed magistrates in this dis-  
trict have also been arrested by  
order of the Canton Government,  
but two have since been acquitted  
and given their liberty. At the re-  
commendation of a certain high  
official, these two have been given  
the appointment of military councillors  
at the headquarters of the Field  
Marshal.

There was a clean bill of health  
in the Colony yesterday.

### FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

#### DRIVER HELD ON TWO CHARGES.

Arising out of an accident which  
occurred near the Lai Chikok  
Prison on Sunday last, when a  
coolie engaged in road repairing  
was knocked down and fatally in-  
jured by a motor car belonging to  
the Yau Lok Garage, the driver  
appeared before Mr. E.W. Hamilton  
at the Kowloon Magistracy this  
morning on charges of man-  
slaughter and driving a motor car  
without efficient brakes.

## HONGKONG LOAN.

### STRONG PROTEST CABLED HOME.

When Mr. Ormsby Gore stated  
in the House of Commons on  
Monday that the granting of a  
£3,000,000 loan to Hongkong had  
saved the Colony at a serious  
moment, he did so, in the opinion  
of a large number of local business  
men, ignorant of the restricted  
terms upon which sums under  
that loan are being advanced.  
With a view to airing their  
grievances and securing the  
speedier liberation of monetary  
assistance to the commercial and  
financial community of the  
Colony, the Hongkong Stock Ex-  
change has, we learn, despatched  
a telegram to Colonel John  
Ward, M. P. (formerly in Hong-  
kong), to the Press Association  
and to others, in which they point  
out that the full benefit of the  
loan is not being felt because of  
the restrictions covering its issue.  
It is pointed out that only about  
one-sixth of the loan has so far  
been issued, and that its  
usefulness has been seriously  
impaired by the conditions govern-  
ing the consideration of applica-  
tions for financial assistance,  
which result in heavy expense  
and considerable delay.

## BANISHEE RETURNS.

#### POSING AS A CONSTABLE.

Sergeant O'Donovan, having on  
Sunday last arrested a man on a  
charge of being implicated in  
Triad Society matters, was later  
informed that a man posing as a  
constable had endeavoured to  
export money from the wife of the  
prisoner after promising to put in  
a good word for him with the  
police authorities. This man was  
caught in a trap laid for him when  
he called for the money at the  
woman's house, and was to-day  
charged at the Central Magistracy.

It was revealed that the prisoner  
was quite an old acquaintance, the  
police records disclosing that he  
had been twice previously convict-  
ed. On the last occasion for com-  
mitting the very same offence with  
which he was now charged, he got  
six months and an order of expul-  
sion for a year from the Colony.  
Asked why he had disobeyed the  
order of banishment, the man laid  
particular stress on the filial duty  
upon which he was engaged—that  
of returning to Hongkong to take  
away his mother into the country.

This did not impress the Bench  
very much, for Mr. R. E. Lindell  
sentenced him to three months for  
posing as a constable, a year for  
returning from banishment, and  
fifteen strokes with the birch in  
addition.

## SOVIET OUTBURST.

### THE LEAGUE OR THE DEVIL.

Paris, Dec. 15.

Bombarded with questions in  
the course of an interview in the  
Russian Embassy by pressmen  
from all over the world, M. Tchit-  
cherin reiterated his opinion that  
the Locarno treaties were part of  
the Soviet policy against the  
League of Nations. The Soviet desired  
an immediate conference on dis-  
armament, but maintained its anti-  
League of Nations attitude, though  
it was the Soviet's duty to attend  
conferences with humanitarian  
objects, "whether summoned by the  
League or the Devil himself."

He explained that the Soviet  
aimed at separate treaties of  
friendship regarding its debts.  
He summed up the attitude of  
the Russian peasants and workers  
in the words of a peasant woman

## FORGED WILL.

### GRANDMOTHER'S CLAIM SUCCEEDS.

#### EX-PARTE ACTION.

The validity of a will, which  
was alleged to be a forged docu-  
ment, was questioned in the Su-  
preme Court, (Probate Jurisdic-  
tion) before the Chief Justice,  
Sir Henry Gollan, this morning.  
The case centres round a will  
alleged to have been made by a  
Chinese named Li Sik-kwan, late  
of Shek Lung, in the province of  
Kwangtung. The case is ex-parte,  
Li U Shi, represented by Mr.  
Somerset Fitzroy (instructed by  
Mr. H. de Arcull) being the plain-  
tiff, and Li Soo-shih, not represen-  
ted, being the defendant. Both the  
plaintiff and the defendant are  
women. Probate having already  
been granted to the defendant, the  
plaintiff is asking for probate of  
the will to be revoked, and  
alleges that it is a forged docu-  
ment. She also claims a grant of  
letters of administration.

In outlining the case, Mr. Fitz-  
roy said many years ago, the plain-  
tiff bought a boy child for adop-  
tion. That child eventually mar-  
ried, and there was one son. The  
father went to Canton and had  
not been heard of since. The  
mother then went away, and  
nothing further had been heard of  
her. The grandmother, who was  
the plaintiff in the case, then took  
charge of the child, and went to  
live in the village of Shek Lung.  
When the boy was about seven-  
teen, he married the woman who  
was the defendant in the action.  
He had one daughter and one son,  
the latter dying shortly after  
birth, whilst the daughter, who  
was living, was about seven years  
old.

The deceased then lived with  
the plaintiff and defendants in  
Shek Lung, where he became very  
ill, and was attended by his  
grandmother. No one could have  
seen him without the plaintiff  
knowing, and she said that no one  
came to see him. He died on  
January 1st, 1921, and nothing  
was said about a will. So far as  
the plaintiff knew, no will was  
executed, as no one could have  
had access to him without her  
knowledge. In 1923, the defend-  
ant left the plaintiff's house and  
lived at Shamshuipo, where she  
met a nephew, who was interested  
in the property. She produced  
some writing which purported to  
be a will signed by her husband.  
She wanted him to sign it to en-  
able her to obtain the property,  
but he refused to do so.

Dealing with details of the will,  
Mr. Fitzroy said mention was  
made of property at 270 Queen's  
Road, and a house at the rear of  
Wellington Street. The annual  
income from the rents was  
\$1,300.

He asked for a ruling that the  
document shown to the nephew  
was not signed, and that after-  
wards it received two signatures of  
two men, both of whom they had  
endeavoured to get to Court. They  
were afraid, however, that they  
would get into serious trouble for  
what they had done, and it was  
practically impossible to get them,  
as they were outside the Colony.

After the plaintiff had given evi-  
dence, Li Wai-cheung, a nephew  
of the defendant, spoke of the de-  
fendant showing him a writing and  
on two occasions asking him to  
sign it, and each time he refused.  
He identified the document pro-  
duced in Court as the same one he  
was asked to sign.

In giving judgment against the  
will, the Chief Justice held that  
the will was not a genuine one,  
and probate would be revoked.

## IRISH TREATY.

### RATIFIED BY DAIL EIRANN.

London, Dec. 15.

The Dail has passed all the stages  
of the London agreement, after an  
eight hours debate, with several

## FATAL TENEMENT BLAZE.

### TRAPPED INMATES JUMP TO STREET.

New York, Dec. 15.

Five were killed and several in-  
jured in a fire at a tenement house  
in Eastside, occupied by sixteen  
families.  
The fire broke out in a lower  
hall, shutting off the escape of the  
people in the upper floors, some  
of whom were injured by jumping  
in the street.—*Reuter's American  
Service.*

## MORE LOOTING.

### CHANG TSO-LIN'S TROOPS IN RETREAT.

#### JAPAN'S WARNING.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

An official message from Muk-  
den states that Chang Tso-lin's  
forces, retreating from Hsinminfu  
and Mukden, are engaging in  
looting, and foreign residents are  
in consequence panic-stricken.

A later message states that in  
view of the situation in Man-  
churia, the Japanese War Office  
announces its immediate inten-  
tion of bringing up the garrison  
to full strength by sending a thou-  
sand troops from Korea, following  
this up with 2,500 Kurume.  
When the latter arrive, the  
original thousand will return to  
Korea.

The Commander of the Kwang-  
tung Garrison has again notified  
the warring Generals that no  
fighting will be allowed within  
gun-range of the railway or near  
the Japanese zone interests.—  
*Reuter.*

#### TIENSIN QUIET.

Tientsin, Dec. 15.

News from the front is very  
scanty, but apparently Li Ching-  
lin is now past Yangtsun. The  
city is very quiet. Most of the  
shops are displaying posters in-  
scribed "Down with Feng!" and  
"Down with the Bolsheviks!"—  
*Reuter.*

## ANOTHER FRENCH CRISIS.

### HITCH IN TAXATION PROGRAMME.

Paris, Dec. 15.

Notwithstanding the Chamber  
finance commission's rejection of  
certain of M. Loucheur's financial  
proposals, the Cabinet, including  
M. Loucheur, will remain in office.  
M. Loucheur will seek a compro-  
mise with the commission.—  
*Reuter.*

#### FINANCE MINISTER RESIGNS.

Paris, Later.

M. Loucheur has resigned.  
M. Loucheur himself was pre-  
sent in the Chamber finance com-  
mittee which confirmed last night's  
decision regarding fresh taxation  
and a sinking fund. The dis-  
cussion centred on the issue whe-  
ther the commission would ask  
the Government to submit new  
proposals or the committee itself  
draft a scheme. Subsequently  
M. M. Malvy and Lamoureux,  
respectively chairman and rap-  
porteur of the finance committee,  
called on M. Briand and explained  
the exact significance of the com-  
mittee's decision to refer back the  
whole of the Government's fiscal  
proposals, which were in nowise  
aimed against M. Briand.

## PEAK ROBBERY.

### THIEVES ENTER THE PEAK HOTEL.

#### RESIDENTS' LOSSES.

The police have been informed  
of a burglary or series of thefts  
which occurred at the Peak Hotel  
either last night or in the early  
hours of this morning. Several  
residents suffered losses as a result  
of the activities of the thief or  
thieves, these being Dr. Balean, Mr.  
W. A. Butterfield and Mr. and Mrs.  
E. F. Kill.

It appears that the thief or  
thieves broke into the Hotel not  
long after midnight, getting on to  
the ground floor through a bath-  
room window, one of the panes of  
which they smashed and thus were  
able to unbolt the window.  
Several residents thought they  
heard noises at about 12.30 a.m.,  
but they did not pay much atten-  
tion to the matter. On rising this  
morning, however, they soon dis-  
covered that thieves had been at  
work in at least three of the rooms.  
The biggest loss was suffered by  
Mrs. Kill, who, on making investi-  
gations after the robbery was dis-  
covered, found that a handbag had  
been stolen from a wardrobe in her  
room, whilst a diamond ring worth  
\$90, a gold watch valued at \$10 and  
a small sum of money were also  
missing. Later the handbag was  
found in the bathroom through  
which the thieves had gained  
entrance to the Hotel.

With regard to the other losses,  
full details are not yet available,  
but it is reported that Mr. Butter-  
field lost a gold watch, whilst in  
Dr. Balean's room a clock had  
been moved from the mantelpiece,  
but apparently on account of its  
weight this was left on the table.  
A pair of gold-rimmed glasses were  
stolen from this room.

The police have this morning  
been busy making investigations at  
the Hotel, with what result is not  
yet known.

## SERVANTS' QUARTERS.

### CLEANSING SCHEME FOR KOWLOON.

In connection with the reference  
at yesterday's meeting of the  
Sanitary Board to the subject of  
the house cleaning of servants'  
quarters in European residences  
at Kowloon, we have ascertained  
that it has for very many years  
been the custom for the Sanitary  
Department to carry out the cleans-  
ing of servants' quarters in Euro-  
pean houses. This rule has not  
applied to the Peak District, and  
probably owing to some oversight,  
has never been carried out in  
Kowloon. A very valuable work  
in health interests is carried out  
during cleansing, for the Inspec-  
tors have opportunity of discover-  
ing and reporting on any sanita-  
tion defects. Quite recently it  
has been suggested by a Sanitary  
Inspector in Kowloon that the  
cleansing of servants' quarters  
was very desirable, and at yes-  
terday's meeting of the Sanitary  
Board a recommendation was  
made that the work should be in-  
stituted.

The Board agreed to this re-  
commendation and we are inform-  
ed that a letter on the subject  
is now being addressed to the  
Committee of the Kowloon Resi-



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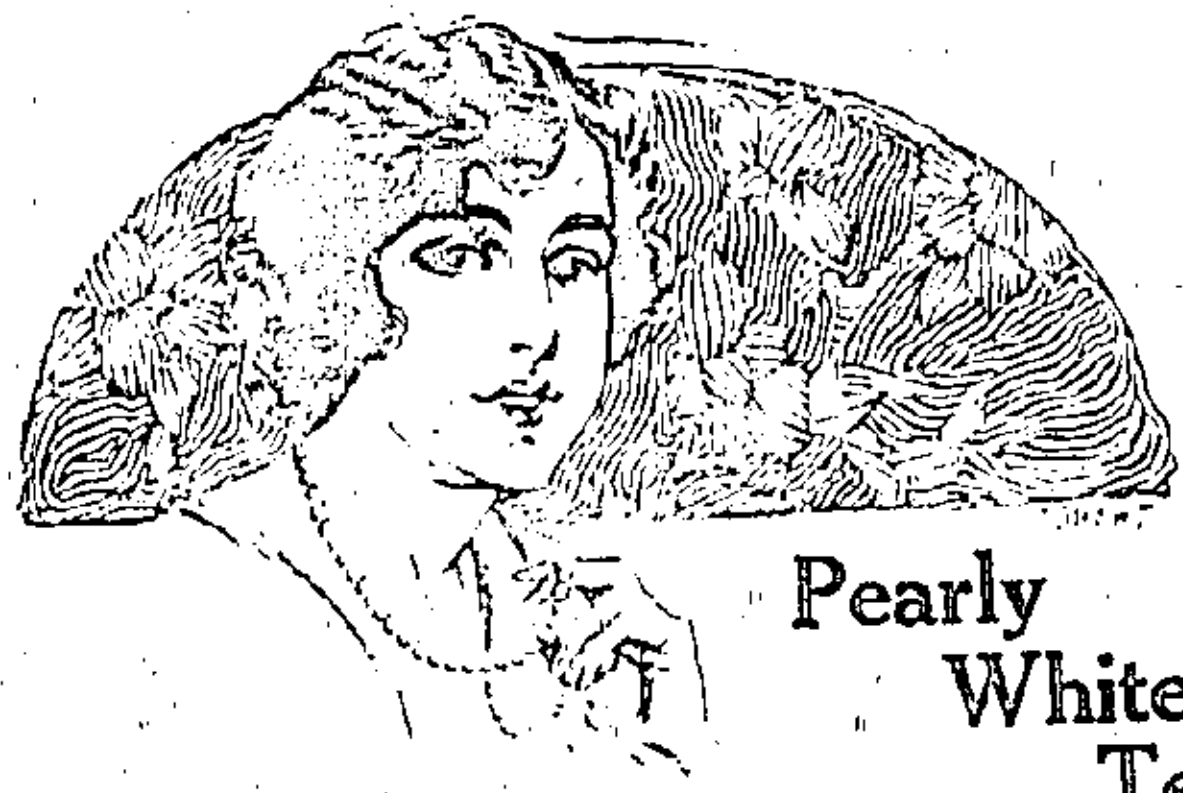
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## ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

LOCAL JAPANESE MERCHANT  
CHARGED WITH FRAUD.

### A Complicated Transaction.

An interesting case was heard at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when S. H. Kawamura, a local Japanese coal merchant, was charged on remand before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with obtaining the sum of \$9,000 under the pretext that he was in possession of a bill of lading in relation to a certain consignment of coal which was being shipped from Canton to Hongkong.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. M. Remedios, and Mr. A. L. Hall defended, while Mr. L. D. Turner watched the proceedings on behalf of an interested party, Cheng Tit-yu.

The case for the prosecution was outlined at length by Mr. Remedios, who gave details of an agreement which was made between the complainant, the defendant and Cheung Ho-Chui in Canton to establish a company to carry on trade as coal and general merchants. The proposal did not materialise, however, and it was suggested that the complainant should pay the freight of a consignment of coal which the defendant was having shipped to Hongkong. The complainant was to sell the coal at a commission of five per cent; and on the payment of the \$9,000, the amount of the freight, he would be given the bill of lading. Not having the money, a co-partner, Cheng Tit-yu, was sent from Canton to Macao, where there was another branch, and ordered a remittance of \$10,000 to Hongkong. This sum was duly sent and, on December 1, the Taisho Maru, which had brought the coal to the Colony, was awaiting the payment of the \$9,000. A cheque for the sum mentioned was given to the defendant, who, when questioned, said that the Captain had the bill of lading and he would endorse it, authorising the complainant to take delivery of the consignment.

Given An I. O. U.

The complainant sent another partner, Tam So-ching, to the Yokohama Specie Bank for the bill of lading later in the day, but without success. The defendant merely handed Tam an I. O. U. for the \$9,000. At the bank Tam saw the defendant change a sum of money from local currency into Japanese notes, which were handed to the Captain of the ss. Taisho Maru.

The complainant was taken to the Tung Chung godowns in Yau-mat, where he was shown some coal and introduced to the godown-keeper as the defendant's agent for the consignment of coal. When he asked for the godown warrant he was told that the entire consignment had not yet been delivered.

The parties then proceeded to the Taisho Maru, where the complainant was entertained by the Captain, and the officers were instructed that the complainant would take delivery of the remainder of the consignment of coal; but the following day the complainant's tallyman informed him that he was unable to obtain the coal, as the godown-keeper said that the coal did not belong to the defendant. A report was then made to the Police and the defendant arrested.

It was significant, continued Mr. Remedios, that an action was pending against the defendant and his wife in the Supreme Court in Original Jurisdiction, where a certain Mr. Benton Cole Bird was claiming this consignment of coal.

Mr. Hall raised an objection, saying that that action was irrelevant to the present criminal proceedings. Mr. Remedios contended that that was proof of the fraud and said that he would probably subpoena Mr. Bird to give evidence.

The case was adjourned.

## THE NORTHERN SITUATION.

### JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

Tokyo, Dec. 15. The Kokusai agency at Mukden reports that with a view to maintaining strict neutrality the South Manchuria Railway refused to transport Kuo Sung-ling's troops from Newchwang. It is reported that the Company's policy is to refuse to transport soldiers of other army unless they are disarmed.

Foreign Office advices from Mukden indicate that Kuo Sung-ling's terms to Chang Tao-lin are for immediate acceptance.

An envoy from Kuo Sung-ling visited Baron Shidehara yesterday. It is understood that *inter alia* he requested Japan to continue her neutrality whatever happens, which Japan is willing to do, provided there is no fighting within the Railway zone.

Though pressing the Government to reinforce the garrison, it seems more than probable that the Seikoku will adopt Admiral Kato's present policy if in power themselves. It is understood that the Government considers the reported increase of Soviet troops on the

## RUGBY FOOTBALL.

### INTERPORT DATES.

Dates have been fixed tentatively for the triangular Interport rugby matches in Shanghai, in which Hongkong is taking part. The participants are Shanghai, Keio University (Japan) and Hongkong and the fixtures are—Saturday, Dec. 26—Shanghai v. Keio University.

Monday, Dec. 28—Shanghai v. Hongkong.

Wednesday, Dec. 30—Keio University v. Hongkong.

Chinese frontier exists only in the imagination of the Chauvinists, who are trying to force the Government to reinforce the garrison.—*Reuter.*

### Another Japanese Warning.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

It is learned from the War Office that owing to the imminent danger resulting from the arrival of a detachment of Kuo Sung-ling's troops at Yingkou, in the railway zone, the Commander of the Kwangtung Army will probably issue a second warning to Kuo Sung-ling.—*Reuter.*

## CHINESE CHAMBER.

### DISCUSSION ON TARIFF AUTONOMY.

The monthly Committee meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. Li Yau-tsun presided and there was a fair attendance.

A letter from the China National Chamber of Commerce was read, relating to suggestions concerning tariff autonomy. The letter stated that the object of the merchants was solely to obtain complete tariff autonomy on a co-operation basis. The merchants did not want the Government to indiscriminately increase the duty on imported articles, and thus lose the good friendship which had hitherto existed with foreign countries.

The Hongkong Chamber approved the suggestions.

The next item discussed was a letter from Mr. Wong Kwong-fu to the effect that the overseas Chinese in Britain, America and other foreign countries had been misled by rumours that the banks in Hongkong had suspended pay-

ments. This had affected exchange business. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce was requested to send out telegrams to contradict these rumours.

A letter from the Chinese Banking Exchange relating to the trade loan was read. It was to the effect that the Government be requested to sanction loans freely. The Chairman stated that the Government had recently increased the number of architects for assessment purposes, and loans would now be approved more quickly.

Prince Chichibu occupied a seat on the Bench at the Old Bailey on Nov. 10, during the charging of the Grand Jury. The Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.), in welcoming his Imperial Highness, said the visit was due to the fact that three years ago Japan determined to make a trial of the jury system in criminal cases, but with their proverbial caution the Japanese decided to postpone the experiment for five years. In the meantime, they had sent an influential deputation (two members of which were sitting beside the Prince) to study the jury system.

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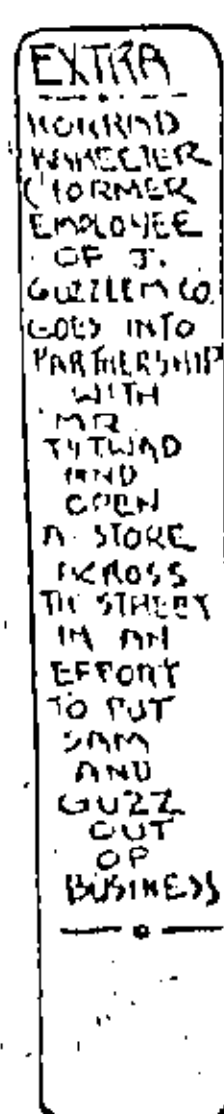
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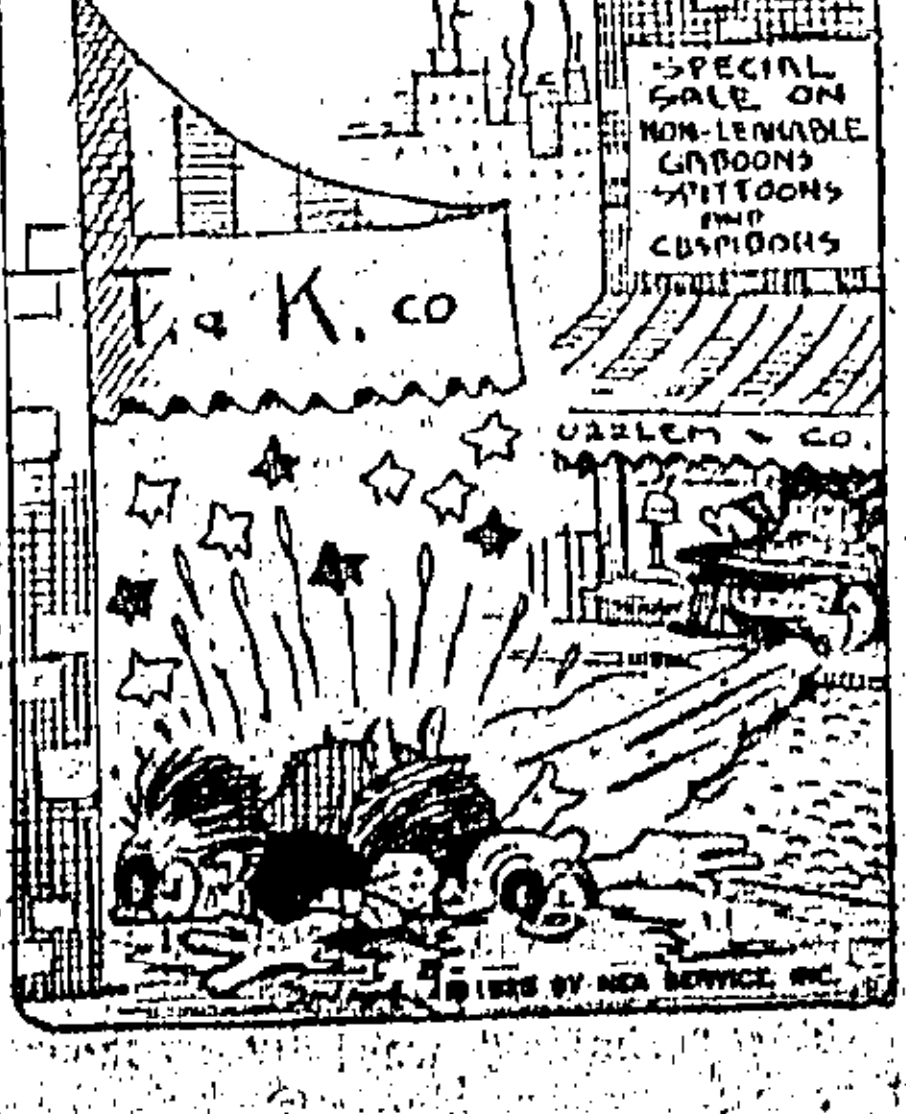
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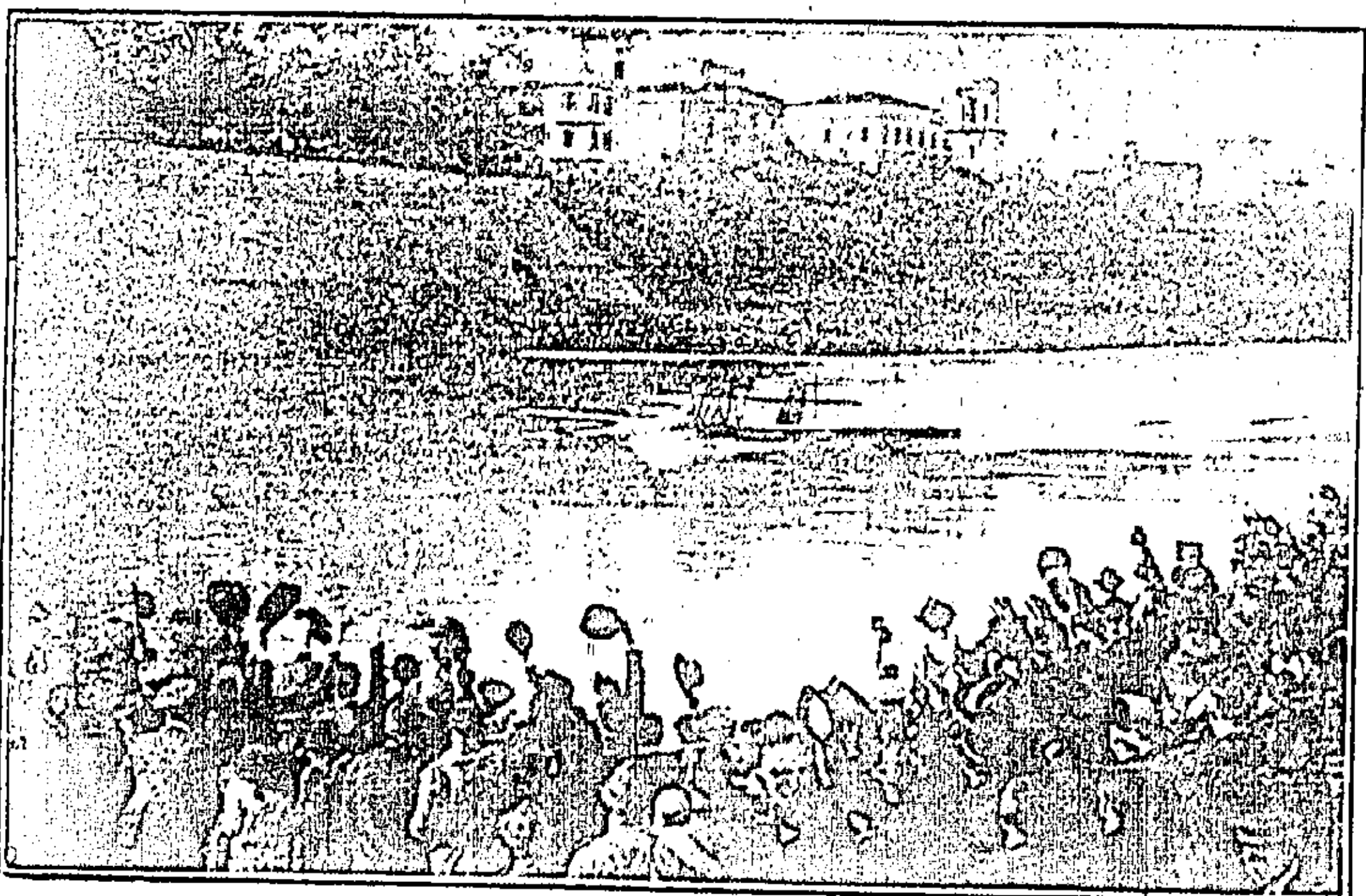


### Prince of Wales in a Comedy.



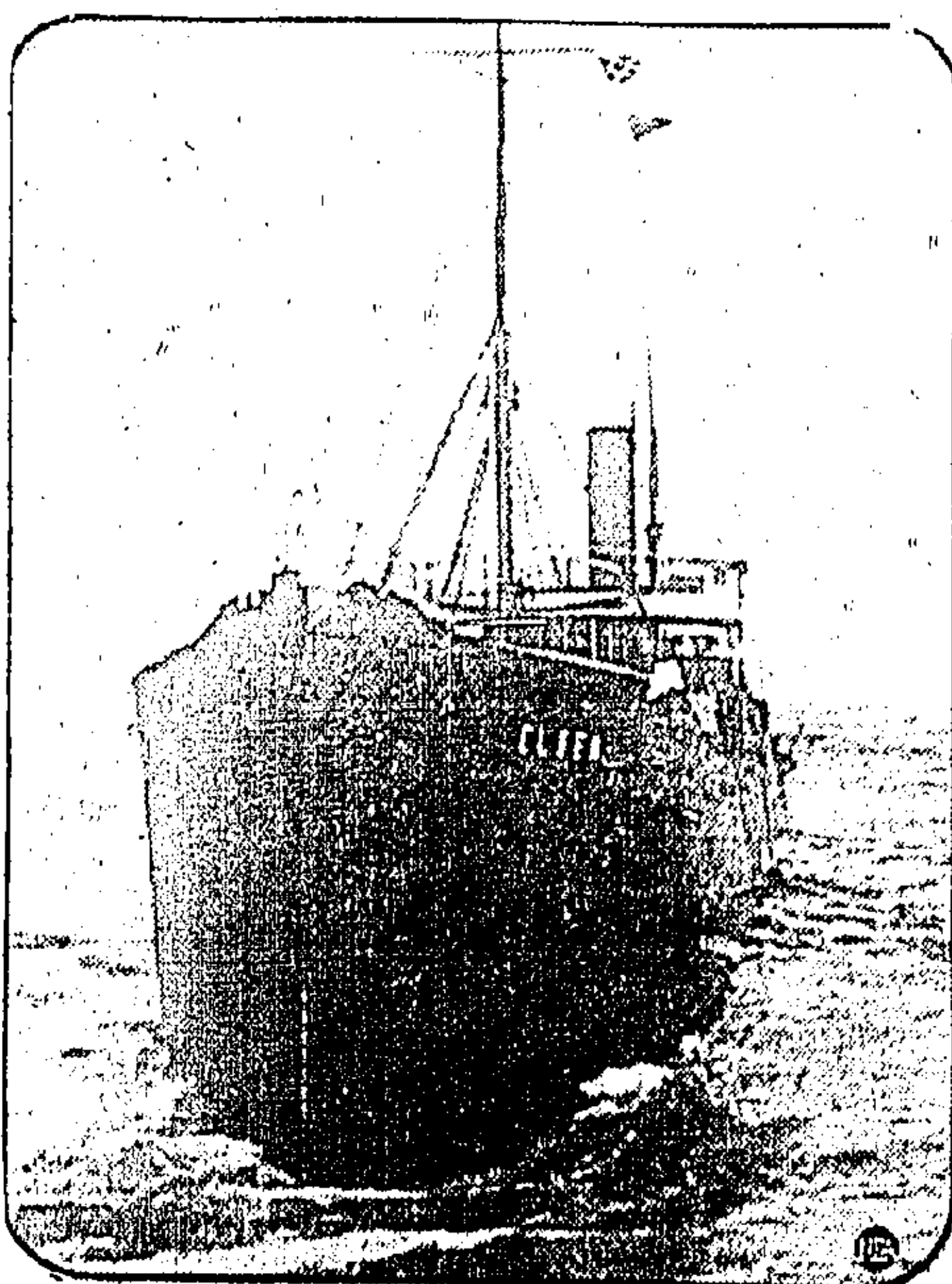
This is the picture that caused much amusement recently—the Prince of Wales dressed as a woman, when he took part in a comedy on board the Repulse. It was taken by an official photographer. The characters are (right to left): the Prince of Wales as the Woman, G. Ward-Price as the Man, and Lieut. Com. Lilly as the Prima Donna.

### De Pinedo Welcomed Home.



On his return from his flight, Rome-Melbourne-Tokyo-Rome, the Marchese de Pinedo received an enthusiastic welcome from several thousands of people who watched his Savoia seaplane land on the Tiber. Signor Mussolini was waving with the crowd as the machine alighted. ("Times" copyright photograph).

### Sinks in Heavy Seas.



This shows the Norwegian steamer Elven, sinking in heavy seas in mid-ocean. All her crew were saved by the American merchantman "American Trader."

### Vision of the Past.



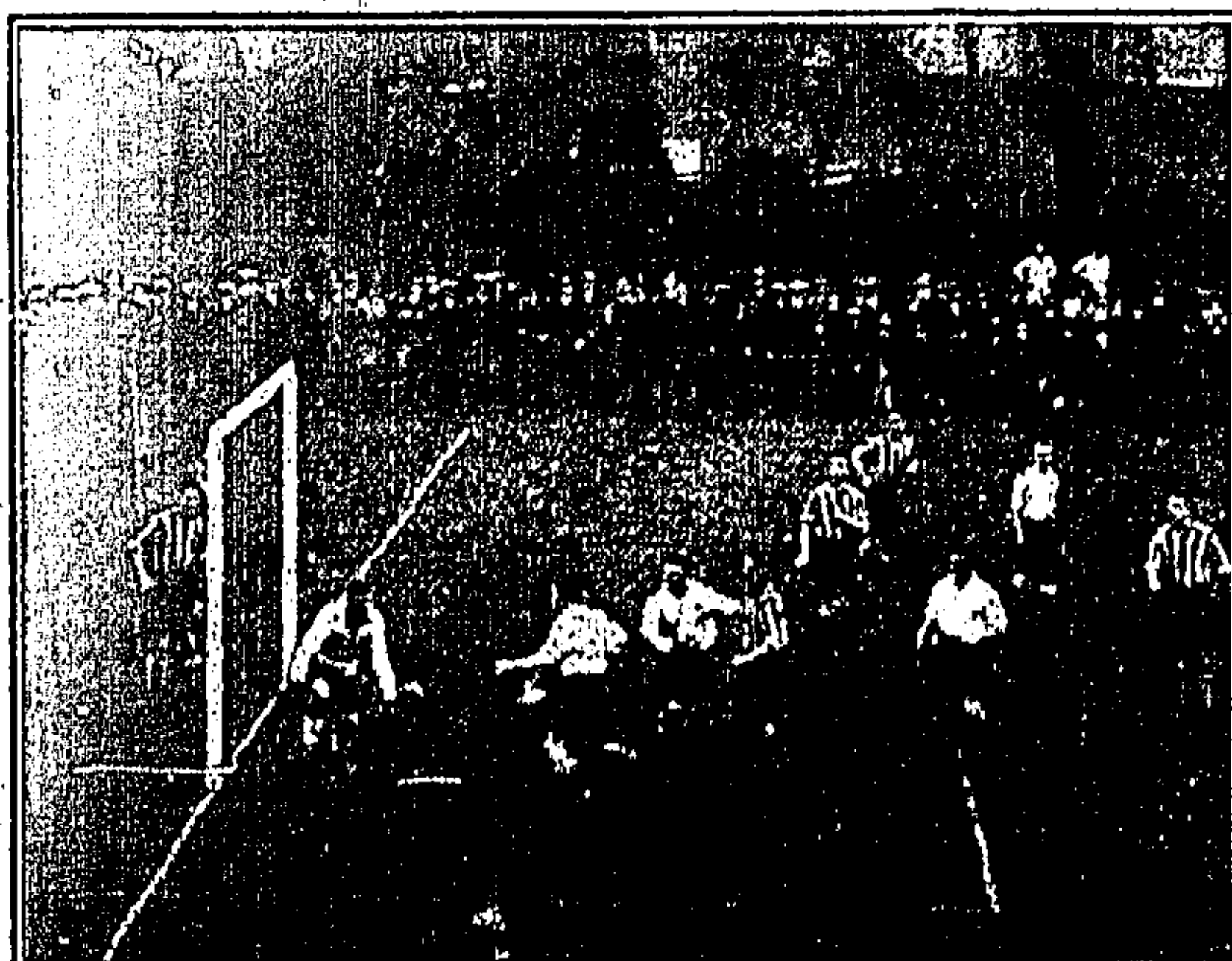
Miss Anne Douglas, of the Denishawn Dancers, in the quaintly beautiful costume of China's olden days, looks as if she stepped out of some old painting. This pretty picture was taken at Shanghai, during the dancers' tour.

### Plane Crashes and Burns.



Fire destroyed the aeroplane of Lieut. Kroehl after it smashed to earth during the International Airmen's Meet at Munich. Kroehl was burned to death before workers were able to put out the blaze.

### The Corinthians' Victory.



Oxford University were beaten by three goals to two by the Corinthians on November 7. Our photograph shows the Corinthians (in white shirts) attacking the Oxford goal, an incident which led to

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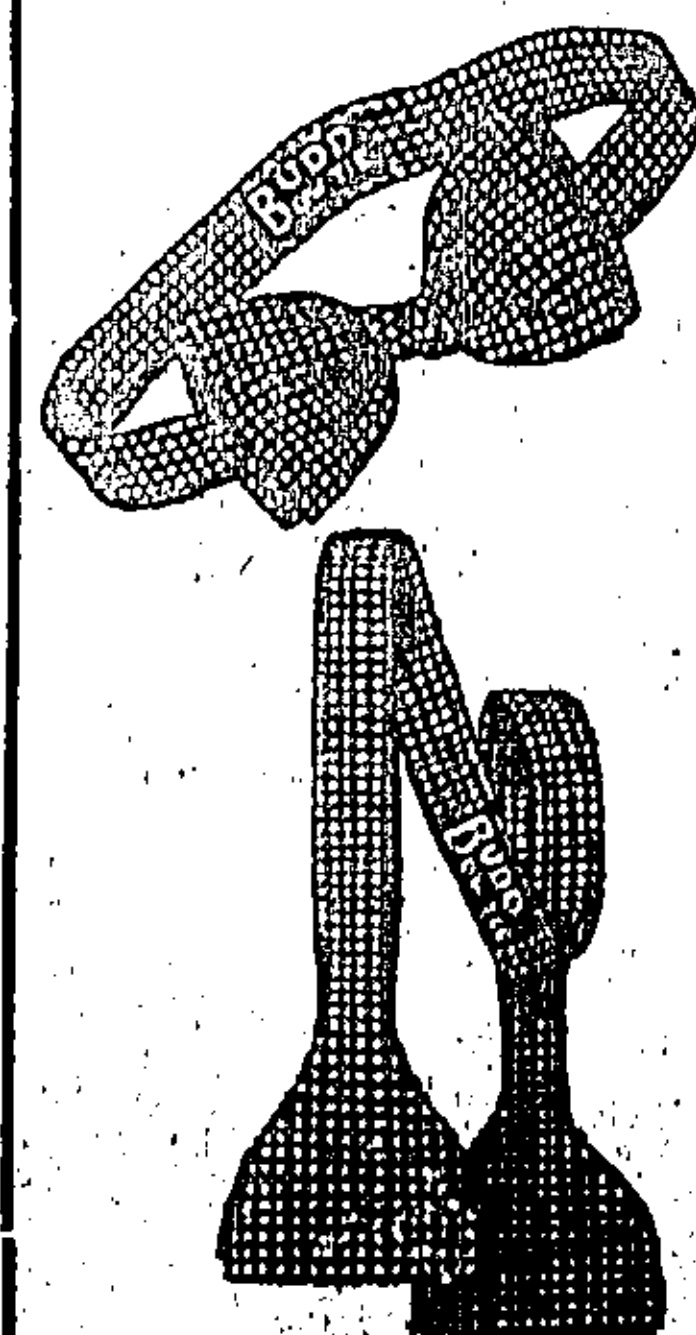
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85 Bags Seaweed.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1925.

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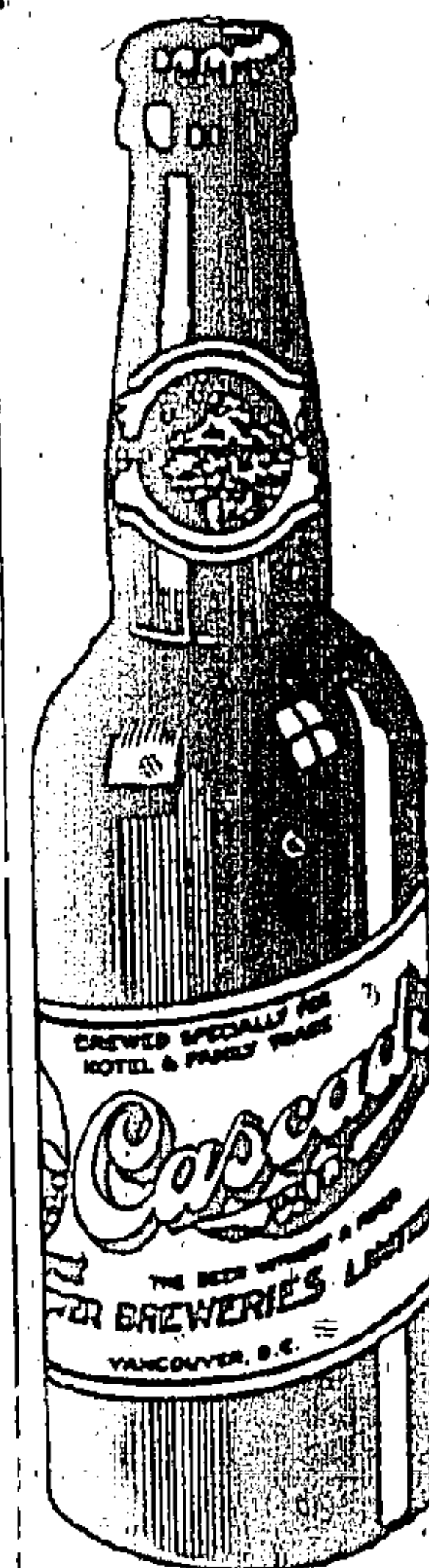
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The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1925.

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### JUNIOR SECTION v. KOWLOON.

#### A Return Match.

During the time Happy Valley golf course was not in a fit condition for play, following the floods of June, the Kowloon Golf Club invited the Junior Section players to an all day match at Kowloon. The match was duly played and a very enjoyable day spent by both teams. Now that Happy Valley is in better condition and golf there is once more possible, the Junior Section have asked the K.G.C. to be their guests on Sunday, January 3. The teams will be sixteen aside and play will commence at 9.30 a.m., singles being played in the morning and foursomes in the afternoon.

Tiffin and tea will be served at the Club house.

The following players have been selected to play for Happy Valley, two places remaining to be filled.

—Messrs. C. H. Beardsall, D. J. Brown, S. H. Garrol, C. A. Grimes, L. H. Kearne, J. D. Kennaird, F. E. Lawrence, D. Lyon, W. McKay, A. S. Mill, F. Oliver, B. Petheram, W. Plew and W. Pryde.

#### The Adamson Cup.

In the sixth qualifying competition for the Adamson Cup, C. A. Grimes, with 111—24—87, qualified.

The last qualifying competition will be held on Sunday, December 27.

### THE TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

#### YESTERDAY'S INSPECTION BY H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

His Excellency, the Governor (the Hon. Mr. Cecil Clementi) visited the Tung Wah Hospital yesterday morning and carried out an inspection of the premises. Arriving at 10 o'clock in company with the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, His Excellency was received by members of the Hospital Committee, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son, Professor J. Anderson, Dr. C. H. Thomas, (officer in charge of the Hospital), Dr. J. B. Addison, Messrs. Wong Kwong-tin and Ma Tsui-chiu.

Following the inspection of the old and new rooms of the Hospital, Mr. Ma Tsui-chiu (Chairman) thanked His Excellency for his visit, and during the course of his address spoke of when His Excellency was last in the Colony and of the useful assistance he had given to the institution. He (the speaker) regretted that he personally had done little for the benefit of the hospital, but asked for His Excellency's support in the work. In reply, His Excellency expressed his pleasure at the splendid work the Chinese community had done and pointed out the importance of good nursing. The doctors were in attendance for only one or two hours daily, while the nurses were always at the side of the patients. Speaking of the extension of the hospital, His Excellency said that no adequate site was obtainable in the vicinity, but he hoped that the Tung Wah Hospital at Wanchai, which is under construction, would be a wonderful success, and added that he would be very glad to give every possible assistance. In conclusion, he said that he had been greatly interested in all that he saw. The public spirited efforts of the Chinese community deserved and should always have the sympathetic support of the Government.

## COFFIN BEARER KILLED.

### ENQUIRY INTO POKFULAM ROAD FATALITY.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, an enquiry was held into the circumstances of the death of a coffin bearer who was killed as a result of a motor accident on the Pokfulam Road on December 3.

The Coroner, Major C. Willson, was assisted by the following jury: Messrs. A. M. Bowes Smith, M. M. Rozario and Keng Ti-yap.

Evidence was given to the effect that as the deceased attempted to cross the road to avoid an oncoming motor car, he rushed in front of one of the Aberdeen buses and was knocked down, receiving injuries from which he died one hour later.

The driver said that he sounded his horn prior to the accident and swerved to the side of the hill, but was too late.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

## CHINESE CANDLES.

### THE INDUSTRY IN NANKING.

Candles in Nanking, like those in other parts of China, are of two kinds: plain and fancy. Plain candles are used for lighting purposes only, but fancy candles are consumed on special occasions such as wedding or birthday celebrations. Fancy candles are sold at much higher prices, because they require a highly skilled hand in the making. The candle is always decorated with figures and flowers suggestive of auspicious tokens such as the dragon, phoenix, unicorn, or a peony etc. Fancy candles are always sold in pairs in very big sizes. There are about ten candle shops in Nanking selling fancy candles. The maker is not a regular employee of the candle shop, but lives in his home and does the work on special orders. Whenever a customer requires a pair or two of fancy candles, he sends his order beforehand to the shop and the latter transfers it to the maker, who turns out the candles at his home with raw materials provided himself.

The candle shops charge their customers three times as high a price for fancy candles as plain candles. A catty of plain candles is sold at \$0.30, but a pair of fancy candles weighing, say, two catties, will command \$1.80 and of three catties, \$2.70. Fancy candles, however, require a considerable amount of labour. A skilled hand can make a pair of candles of two catties in weight in a day and a half and a three-catty pair, in two days. The net profit earned by the maker, for a two-catty pair is about \$1 and for a three-catty pair, about \$1.50.

About 30 or 40 years ago, the trade was monopolised by a few Ningpo artisans. Later on, the art was learned by some local artisans, whose skill gradually attained such a degree of perfection as to enable them to compete and finally oust their Ningpo rivals. At present, there are only about 20 skilled fancy-candle makers in Nanking, who live in their homes and make candles on a piece work basis. The reason why the candle shops do not employ the makers in their factories is that the demand for such candles is not regular, and the shops cannot afford to keep a staff of skilled hands all the time at high wages. The average daily earnings of a fancy candle maker are \$0.60 or double the daily earnings of a plain candle maker.—Chinese Economic Bulletin.

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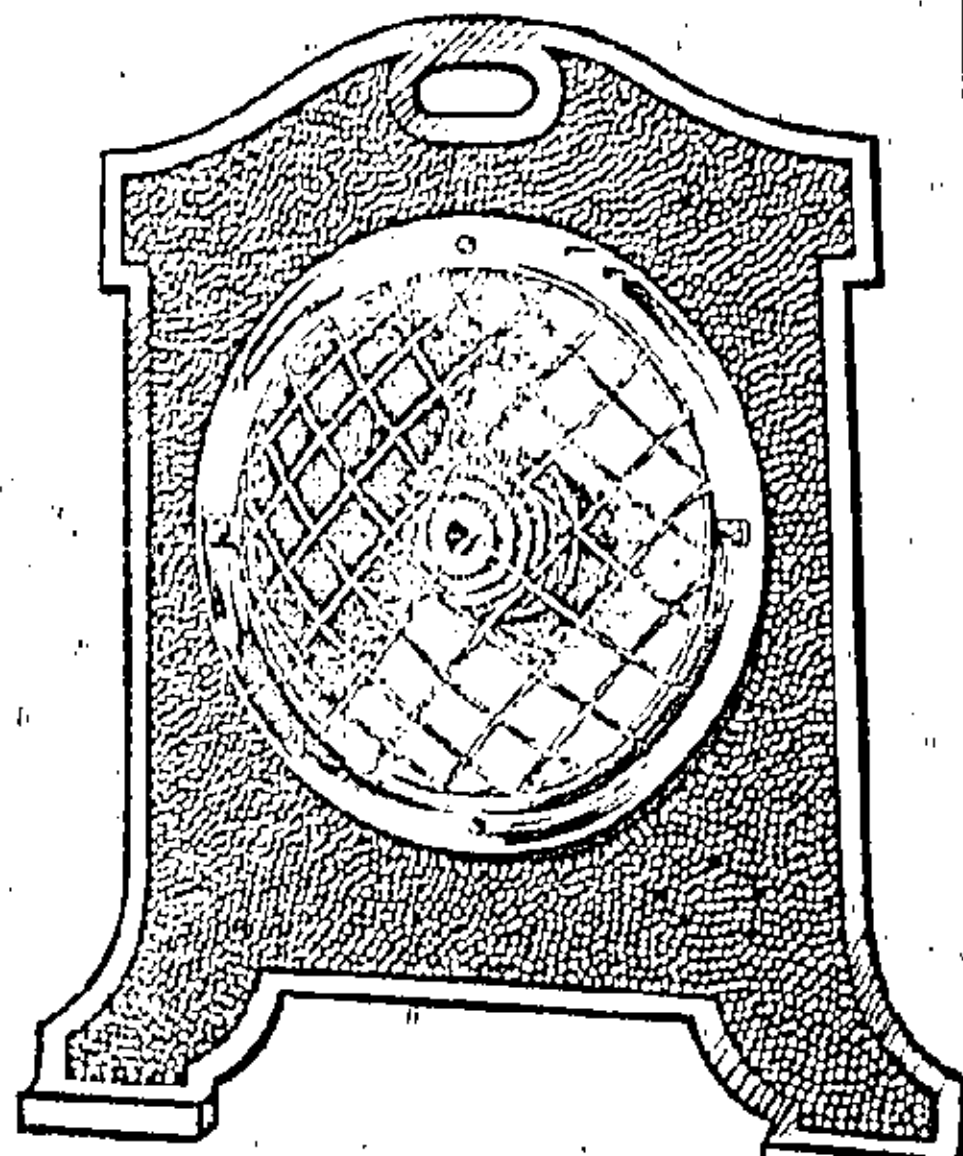
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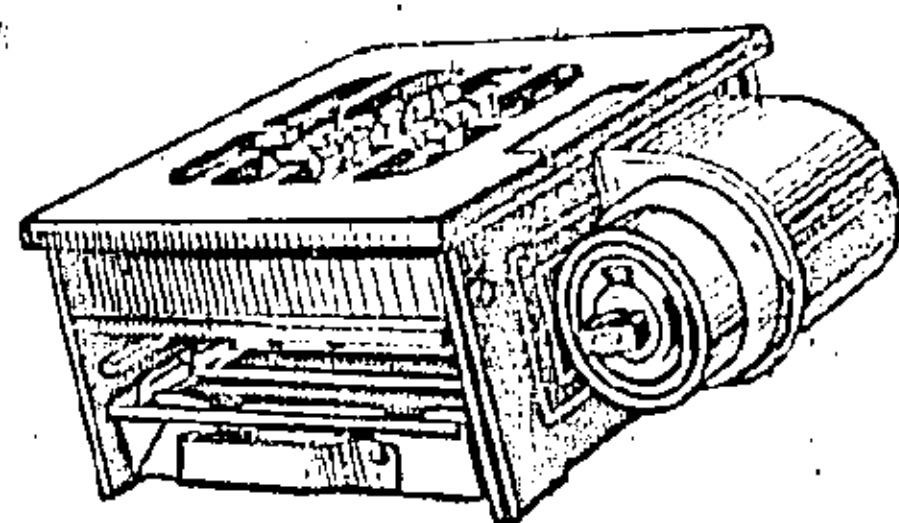
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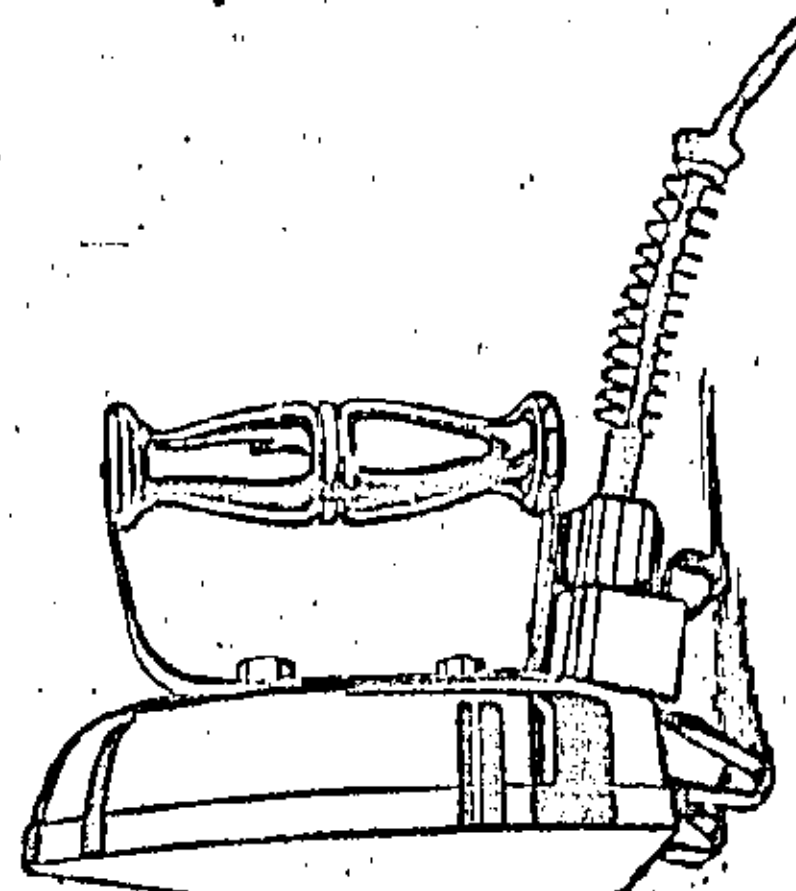


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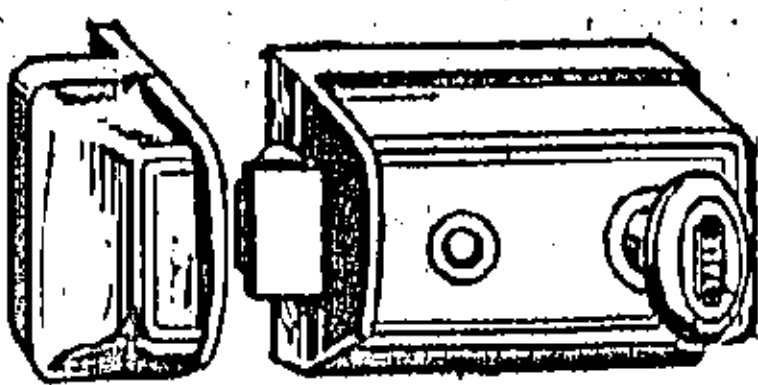


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## The Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 16, 1925.

### THE JAPANESE WAY.

Details of the stand taken by  
the Japanese Government in its  
suppression of the Farm-Labour  
Party were contained in an  
article reproduced by its yester-  
day from the *Osaka Mainichi*.  
The new political party was or-  
dered to be dissolved, by the  
Home Minister, because its  
platform embraced obviously  
Communist doctrines. Ap-  
parently the members of the or-  
ganisation have had to agree to  
this ruling with as good a grace  
as possible and have accepted  
the early death of their new-born  
aspirations. But obviously the  
Communists of Japan, a growing  
body, are not as easily suppressed,  
and this action by the auth-  
orities might easily mean an  
added bitterness of outlook  
among the disorderly elements  
and further fanning of smoulder-  
ing fires. For Japan has to face  
the fact that outside influences  
have latterly found a fertile field  
for sowing their poisonous  
doctrines, and sooner or later the  
elements of unrest must make  
themselves more seriously felt.

The Japanese way of nipping  
Communism in the bud may be  
compared with similar action  
taken by the United States of Am-  
erica, though on the other side of  
the Pacific purely Labour organi-  
sations have been permitted to  
flourish. This has led to the  
creation of a powerful proletarian  
party which, to the chagrin of all  
agents of Bolshevism, declines to associ-  
ate itself with the "Red" doctrines  
of the agitator. Then we can  
contrast Japan's method with  
Britain's easy tolerance of  
rampant Communist activities.  
It is only when these agents of  
provocation considerably over-  
step the bounds that action is  
taken, perhaps to the extent of  
a police court prosecution. Other-  
wise, men who deliberately  
declare themselves Communists  
are allowed to sit in  
Parliament, and though our  
neighbours across the Atlantic  
refuse them admission, as being  
undesirable aliens, we permit  
them to be at large and continue  
their openly seditious declara-  
tions. An old saying deals with  
the probabilities of a person hang-  
ing himself if given enough rope.  
That seems to be the British way.  
On the other hand there is the

often desirable plan of quenching  
a smouldering glow before it  
bursts into flames. That appears  
to be the method Japan has de-  
cided upon. And when we come  
to think of the menace which  
misguided agitation can assume  
—indeed, the menace which has  
been permitted to take firm root  
in Britain—we cannot help  
thinking that tolerance can be  
dangerously over-done.

### First-Aid for Police.

In connection with the presen-  
tation of trophies won by the  
various local Divisions of the St.  
John Ambulance Brigade which  
took place in the grounds of  
Government House on Monday  
morning, His Excellency the  
Governor displayed a keen per-  
sonal interest in the subject of  
first-aid, and let fall at least one  
significant phrase. He said that  
he would see to it that before  
very long, more members of the  
Hongkong Police Force were  
qualified to render first-aid than  
at present, and we should like,  
very heartily, to commend this  
determination. Not once but on  
several occasions during the  
course of a lengthy residence  
here, the writer has seen police  
officers handling a street casualty  
case without the most elementary  
knowledge of first-aid, and if  
anybody ought to be qualified in  
first-aid work surely it is the  
policemen who patrol our streets,  
who are on official duty at fires,  
at accidents and on the scenes of  
violent crime. First-aid should  
come in the very fore front of a  
policeman's training and there  
should be encouragements in the  
way of extra pay for every pro-  
gressive certificate gained. The  
proficiency badge of the St. John's  
Ambulance Brigade should be the  
pride of possession of police in  
Hongkong just as it is in England,  
and we can assure His Excellency,  
if any assurance were needed,  
that he will have the hearty  
support and thanks of the general  
community for doing anything  
which will make members of our  
police force more generally con-  
versant with first-aid.

### Selling "Culture."

One cannot help noticing, in  
looking over magazines from  
Home and the United States, the  
rapid growth of concerns which  
guarantee to "sell" culture to all  
and sundry in a course of what  
are termed "easy lessons." Ac-  
cording to many of the advertise-  
ments, fifteen minutes a day will  
put the average man on an in-  
imate footing with the great  
thinkers of the past and so fortify  
the student who buys these  
courses that he will make a short  
cut to success. Possibly the  
growth in the number of such  
concerns is somewhat reflective  
of a state of mind which is all too  
prevalent at the present time,—  
the outlook which values things  
chiefly as and when they add  
cash to the right side of the led-  
ger. We look to the time, however,  
when people will learn that  
nothing that is really valuable  
can be expressed in terms of cents  
and dollars; that all great litera-  
ture in the world is worthless if  
it is studied merely to help one to  
"get ahead;" that the richness  
and beauty that are stored in  
books give one a broader and a  
fuller life than the biggest salaries  
of themselves, can do. Then,  
maybe, people will begin to be  
really cultured, and the "culture-  
by-post" firms will be a thing of  
the past.

### MODERN SLAVERY.

#### HUMAN SACRIFICES TO BE SUPPRESSED.

Rangoon, Dec. 15.  
A small official expedition has  
been despatched to effect the re-  
lease of all slaves in the Hakawng  
Valley. Arrangements will be  
made generously to compensate  
the slave-owners.

The expedition will meet the  
Naga chiefs and express the In-  
dian Government's abhorrence of  
human sacrifices. It is anticipat-  
ed the expedition will result in  
supplies of victims for sacrifice  
from this side of the frontier be-  
ing completely cut off.—*Reuter*.

["The region mentioned lies in  
Northern Burma, near the Naga  
Hills of Assam. It is a densely  
forested area, peopled by tribes  
of hill folk many of whom live in  
a savage state, and attention was  
recently drawn to their practices  
of human sacrifice."]

### DAY BY DAY.

THE NEARER I APPROACH THE  
END, THE PLAINER I HEAR  
AROUND ME THE IMMORTAL  
SYMPHONIES OF THE WORLDS  
WHICH INVITE ME. IT IS MAR-  
VELLOUS, YET SIMPLE.—*Victor  
Hugo*.

The opening rate of the dollar  
on demand to-day was 2s. 4.5/16d.

The French cruiser "Jules  
Michalet" has gone into dock at  
Taikoo.

Capt. M. Middleton, 5/2nd  
Punjab Regiment, has returned  
from leave.

The s.s. Takada left Singapore  
on Monday, and is due here on  
the 20th. instant.

Four cargo boat masters were  
fined \$5 at the Marine Court to-  
day for mooring inshore during  
prohibited hours.

For "having no license, the  
master of a junk was fined \$20 at  
the Marine Court to-day by  
Lieut.-Commandr. G. F. Holo.

Major E. J. Bone, S.R.E.S., has  
assumed the duties of Inspector  
of Works, Hongkong, in place of  
Lieut. M. H. B. Scott, S.R.E.S.

The number of foreign warships  
in port was added to this morning  
with the arrival of a small Chi-  
nese cruiser. The usual salutes  
were exchanged.

The s.s. Talamba arrived from  
Amoy yesterday with nearly two  
thousand dock passengers on  
board. They are, emigrants to  
the Straits and to India.

The Rev. G. F. Stopford, R.A.-  
Ch.D., G.F., has assumed the  
duties of Chaplain to Church of  
England troops in Hongkong, in  
place of the Rev. R. J. Northcott,  
R.A.Ch.D.

Whilst being driven along Des  
Voeux Road West, a car was run  
into by a two wheel truck em-  
erging from Third Street. Some  
damage was done to the front  
fender of the car.

A requiem mass in memory of  
the late M. Paul Kremer will be  
held at St. Joseph's Church, Gar-  
den Road, to-morrow morning at  
9 o'clock, to which all friends of  
the deceased are invited.

Owing to the absence of the  
complainants, the claim for wages  
brought against Mrs. McKim by  
her coolie and an amah, was this  
morning dismissed by Mr. E. W.  
Hamilton at the Kowloon Magis-  
tracy.

Rough weather is being experi-  
enced by all vessels from the  
South and in some cases the de-  
lay amounts to two or three days.  
The German s.s. Eva, which ar-  
rived here in ballast yesterday,  
left Singapore on December 4th.

The master of an unlicensed  
junk was fined \$30 or three weeks  
at the Marine Court this morning.  
He was charged with failing to  
report his arrival, with failing to  
take out a license and with leav-  
ing without having taken out a  
clearance.

On enquiry from Mr. A. L.  
Terry, the Secretary of the Tele-  
phone Company, this morning, we  
were informed that, judging from  
present indications, the Com-  
pany's issue of shares is very  
likely to be over-subscribed. The  
list closes on or before the 31st  
instant.

Last week's health return shows  
three fatal Chinese cases of ty-  
phoid fever; two cases of diphe-  
theria (one British and one Chi-  
nese), of which one was fatal; one  
fatal Chinese occurrence of small-  
pox; and one non-fatal Chinese  
case of puerperal fever. There  
was also one Chinese death from  
influenza.

The Garrison Command Orders  
state that the sum of \$525.26 was  
realised by the sale of Poppies by  
units in Garrison, including an  
amount of \$108.46 collected by the  
1st Bn. East Yorkshire Regt., on  
the H.T. Derbyshire, on Armistice  
Day, for which a cheque has been  
forwarded to the Treasurer, Hong-  
kong "Poppy Day" Sub-Com-  
mittee, 1925.

The port of Quebec is to be the  
Canadian terminal for a Canada-  
Cuba steamship passenger and  
freight service which is to be  
inaugurated next spring. Four  
steamers are to be used in the  
service, which will be a  
weekly one.

### THE VOLUNTEER FIELD DAY.



Photographs taken at the combined Volunteer field opera-  
tions in the Fanling district on Sunday. Top picture shows  
Volunteers moving up to positions for field firing; whilst below  
a detachment is seen at rest on the hillside during the meal-  
time hour. (Photos: Ming Yuen).

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

[To the Editor, Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

Sir,—I have been much interest-  
ed in the correspondence regarding  
the recent declaration by the Medi-  
cal Board at Manila that Christian  
Science is illegal. Mr. Bernard has  
been at great pains to show that in  
certain State laws in America  
Christian Science is specifically ex-  
empted from the requirements  
of Medical Acts, but it seems to me  
that that does not really touch the  
point at issue. That point is whe-  
ther the practice of Christian  
Science is contrary to the laws of  
the Philippine Islands.

As to the origin of this declara-  
tion by the Manila Board, I learn  
from the Manila papers that the  
matter was taken up as the result  
of an enquiry addressed to the Se-  
cretary of the Interior, who in  
turn submitted the query to the  
Medical Board, and the latter ruled  
that the practice of both Christian  
Science and Spiritualism fell within  
the provisions of the medical law,  
and, therefore, to practice either  
the one or the other, constituted a  
violation of that law.

Mr. Bernard may want us to  
believe that Christian Science dif-  
fers materially from what is term-  
ed faith-healing, and he would no  
doubt like to obscure issue by div-  
ing into deep metaphysical points.  
But surely this is a matter which  
can be very simply disposed of,  
without the necessity of following  
the intricacies and subtleties of  
Mary Baker Eddy's claims. Let  
me put the question—Do Christian  
Scientists profess to be able to ef-  
fect the cure of physical ailments  
without the aid of surgery or medi-  
cine? If so, do they ever receive  
payment for the "cure?" Further,  
would they advise sufferers not to  
place their trust in physicians or  
surgeons? These queries strike at  
the root of the whole matter, and  
they ought to be answered without  
equivocation of any kind.

If Christian Scientists place  
themselves above medical science,  
then surely they cannot object  
when they are told that their teach-  
ings are in direct conflict with laws  
designed to fasten due responsibil-  
ity on those who profess to be able  
to cure physical ailments.—Yours  
etc.

ENQUIRE.

Hongkong, Dec. 15th, 1925.

Sir,—While I should like to take  
this opportunity to thank Mr. D.  
G. M. Bernard for his obviously  
sincere attempt to justify the prac-  
tice of Christian Science, nothing  
he has written has convinced me  
that this particular creed is  
either desirable or wise.  
Although Mr. Bernard differen-  
tiates between Christian Science  
and Faith Healing, I can assure  
him that, to the best of my re-

collection, people calling them-  
selves Christian Scientists employ-  
ed the Faith Healing plea in the  
case I previously instanced.

In any case, there is no need  
to bicker about the name under  
which the sect works, rather is  
it the fundamental principle in-  
volved which has called forth my  
criticism. According to Mr. Ber-  
nard, Christian Science became an  
established creed in the year  
1875. Am I then to believe that  
since the Creation, a loving God  
has allowed mankind to stum-  
ble along in blindness and pain, when  
the practice of faith or the applica-  
tion of spiritual belief would  
have conquered their bodily ail-  
ments? Can anyone gainsay that  
mankind owes an incalculable debt  
to medical and surgical science?  
And yet Christian Scientists urge  
the physical sick to forego prac-  
tical and proven aid in favour of  
an inactive and mythical spiritual  
obsession!

To give a case in point. I was  
once urged to undergo an opera-  
tion for appendicitis. Certainly  
the pain was acute, and I have  
since learned that it would have  
been wise of me to have heeded  
the professional advice. How-  
ever, I remained obdurate, and  
thanks to Providence and the ac-  
ceptance of alternative human  
advice, I recovered. If, Sir, I had  
chanced to meet a Christian  
Science practitioner, doubtless I  
should have thought about the  
theory he or she propounded, and  
my chance of recovery would  
have been quoted as a definite  
result of the acceptance of that  
theory. I therefore feel entitled  
to believe that the so-called cures  
or spiritual triumphs over the flesh,  
are purely imaginary.

The serious aspect of the whole  
thing, is that misguided religious  
enthusiasts should be allowed to  
persuade weak-minded people to  
ignore medical science. Imagine  
the risk we should run in Hong-  
kong if two or three people suffer-  
ing from small-pox, refused to  
notify their disease or to obtain  
medical advice. Imagine the dan-  
ger if such people persisted in  
"carrying on" as long as they  
could in the belief that faith alone  
would heal them. I say again  
that fanatical pleadings such as  
those employed by Christian  
Scientists, Faith Healers, or what-  
ever other names such folk may  
be known by, are a source of dan-  
ger to the community, and as such,  
should be vigorously exposed.—  
Yours, etc.

W. T. R.

Hongkong, Dec. 16th, 1925.

### RUSSIA AND NORWAY.

#### COMMERCIAL TREATY CONCLUDED.

Oslo, Dec. 15.

The Russo-Norwegian commer-  
cial and shipping treaty has been  
signed in Moscow.—*Reuter*.



# MR. G. N. ORME LEAVES.

PROBABLY NOT RETURNING.

Among those who sailed for Home to-day by the Blue Funnel liner *Patroclus*, was Mr. G. N. Orme, the Director of Education, who is proceeding on special Sick Leave. Mr. Orme, who has been in very indifferent health for some time past, has been ordered Home by his medical adviser and, we learn, it is extremely probable that he will be invalided out of the Government service whilst Home, and not return to this Colony.

Mr. Geoffrey Norman Orme has been in the Government service of Hongkong for 24 years, as it was in November, 1901, that he was appointed a Cadet. Born in 1878, he obtained his B.A. degree at Oxford, and later in life was admitted a Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple. After his arrival in Hongkong, Mr. Orme studied Cantonese at Canton for two years, and it was in April, 1904, that he received his first appointment, that of Assistant Secretary to the Sanitary Board. From that time onwards Mr. Orme, like most of the Cadet officers of the Government, has occupied a variety of posts, among others being, in order of appointment, Acting Assistant Registrar General, Acting Second Police Magistrate, Acting A.S.P. and Police Magistrate of New Territories, Acting D.S.P., Assistant Land Officer, of New Territories, Acting District Officer, Head of the Sanitary Department, attached to Crown Solicitor's Office and later attached to Attorney General's Office, District Officer, Acting First Police Magistrate, Acting Director of Education, First Police Magistrate, Estate Duty Commissioner, Official Receiver and Registrar of Trade Marks, and, finally, Acting Director of Education in February, 1924. The confirmed appointment of Director of Education came shortly afterwards. Last summer Mr. and Mrs. Orme went for a health trip to Java, and although Mr. Orme came back much better, he recently fell sick with a return of malaria fever, and it is on urgent medical advice that he has left for Home.

There were a number of old friends to say "Good-bye" to Mr. and Mrs. Orme at Queen's Pier this morning, and Mr. Orme carries with him the best wishes of a wide circle.

Mr. A. E. Wood is to act as Director of Education in Mr. Orme's absence until a substantive appointment is made.

## SEARCHER ASSAULTED.

WOMAN AND HER MONEY.

For a Chinese woman who did a small business in supplying vegetables to a restaurant, the prospect of losing some \$60 was one which was to be warded off at all costs. Consequently when a woman searcher got hold of this money at the Wing On wharf yesterday, the owner of it became almost frantic. She wrestled with the woman, and gentler methods failing, used her teeth to some purpose. At length Sergeant McEwen had to come in, and, having separated the women, took the offender to the Central Police Station.

At the Central Magistracy to-day, the woman was charged on counts of assaulting a searcher and of attempting to export money from the Colony. Mr. R. E. Lind-sell was informed that the money had already been changed into Canton subsidiary coins. In spite of the shedding of many tears in Court, the woman was ordered to pay a fine of \$10 on the first charge and \$6 on the second. These amounts were to be deducted from the sum found on her.

## BRITISH INDUSTRY.

NEW BILL PASSED.

London, Dec. 15. The Safeguarding of Industries Customs Duties Bill, a clause of which provides that Empire-produced cutlery, gloves and gas mantles shall pay only two-thirds of the duty, has passed the Committee Stage without alteration. *Reuter.*

## HOME FOOTBALL.

CUP REPLAY RESULT.

London, Dec. 15. In the Cup replay, Grimsby beat Kettering by 3 goals to one. *Reuter.*

# IN THE NEWS.



Above is M. Loucheur, the French Minister of Finance, who has just resigned.



Here is "Batling" Siki, who has been found murdered in the "Hell's Kitchen" district of New York.

## SIKI'S MURDER.

BODY FOUND IN STREET.

New York, Dec. 15. The body of "Batling" Siki, whose murder in a low quarter of New York is reported in an earlier telegram, was found lying face downward on the pavement at four o'clock in the morning by a policeman who had met and exchanged greetings with the boxer shortly after midnight. Near to where the body was found a revolver lay in the gutter. Two chambers were empty and it is believed that the weapon was thrown away by the murderer when he fled.

Siki was well-known in the neighbourhood and it is suggested that he had been to one of the numerous night clubs and had become involved in a dispute which was continued into the street, ending in his murder. Siki was last July knifed at the same spot. *Reuter's American Service.*

Until his sensational defeat of Georges Carpentier in the Buffalo Velodrome just outside Paris on September 24th, 1925, "Batling" Siki was practically an unknown quantity in the international boxing world. It was while serving as a soldier in the Senegalese contingent of the French Army during the war, that Siki took up fighting, and he made such rapid progress and built up such a wonderful record that he was eventually matched against Carpentier for the heavyweight championship title of Europe. Siki very unexpectedly won in the sixth round, giving Carpentier the knock-out with a blow that was afterwards questioned for its fairness. There was a storm of indignation against Siki in France and he was barred from fighting further bouts by the French Boxing Association. He later went to the United States where he had had a number of fights failing to make a success. Siki gained notoriety by possessing a pet lion which he took with him on his many revels in questionable cabarets, and latterly the question of his deportation from America was raised. After his having been stabbed last July in the "Hell's Kitchen" quarter of New York, he created a sensation by breaking out of hospital clad in his pyjamas only.

# MOSUL MATTERS.

SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT.

Geneva, Dec. 15. Matters appear to be shaping towards a settlement of the obstinately contested Mosul question between Britain and Turkey. Conferences are proceeding, and a general rumour bears out the anticipation that the Brussels line will be adopted as the frontier, with possible economic adjustments. *Reuter.*

TURKISH ATROCITIES EXPOSED.

Geneva, Dec. 15. Further evidence of the atrocities in Mosul is contained in additions to General Laidoner's report. The commissioners place the responsibility on the shoulders of the Sixty-Second Regiment of Turkish infantry.

They depict the horrors of forced, hurried deportations and massacres, and relate to incidents of women being violated and buried alive under stones. They state that at Baljo alone forty men were taken from their families and assassinated in a remote building by Turkish soldiers who were anxious not to be disturbed during the orgies.

Columns were marched for six or ten days without food, several falling out and being immediately massacred.

The commissioners draw attention to the fact that the Christians were not ill-treated by the Kurds, who protested to the Turks and refused Turkish orders to massacre the deportees, whereupon the Turks shot several Kurdish chiefs. A number of Kurdish Moslem chiefs on the frontier expressed a desire to be placed within the Iraq frontiers, to procure their safety. *Reuter.*

THE IRAQ MANDATE.

Geneva, Dec. 15. It is understood that Sir Austen Chamberlain has assured the Council that Britain is willing to extend the mandate in Iraq twenty-five years.

It is pointed out that this period is the maximum. Nothing could prevent Iraq entering the League earlier, thus shortening the British obligation. *Reuter.*

COUNTER ALLEGATIONS.

Geneva, Dec. 15. The Turkish delegation has written to the Secretary-General of the League protesting against accusations of Turkish atrocities, alleged to have been made by Chaldean ecclesiastics, as inventions, and citing a passage in the commission of enquiry's report purporting to show that the British authorities distributed nineteen hundred rifles and ammunition among the Assyrian tribes. *Reuter.*

## FOOTBALL.

SCOTLAND'S TEAM AGAINST PORTUGAL.

Portugal have been admitted to the International Charity Cup Competition this season and they have been drawn against Scotland. The match is to be played on Boxing Day and the following team has been selected to represent Scotland:—Clark (Police); Summers (Club); Oram (Police); McGreavey (Surreys) Stewart (Club); McKelvie (Kowloon); Brodie (Club); Forsyth (Club); McBride (Kowloon); Duncan (Kowloon); and Key (Club). Reserves: Johnston (Club); Forbes (Police); and W. Stewart (Club). Portugal will be represented by the first eleven of the Club de Recreio.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

A First Division match is to be played at Kowloon this afternoon, the teams being the Police and the Royal Artillery. This is one of the matches postponed owing to the absence in camp of the R.A. during November.

GARRISON LEAGUE.

The final of the Garrison Football League finds "A" and "B" Companies of the East Surrey Regiment in opposition. The match is to be played at Sookun-poo to-morrow, kick-off 4 p.m. and H.E. the G.O.C. has kindly consented to present the trophy to the winners. *WANDERER.*

## TRAMCAR SMASH.

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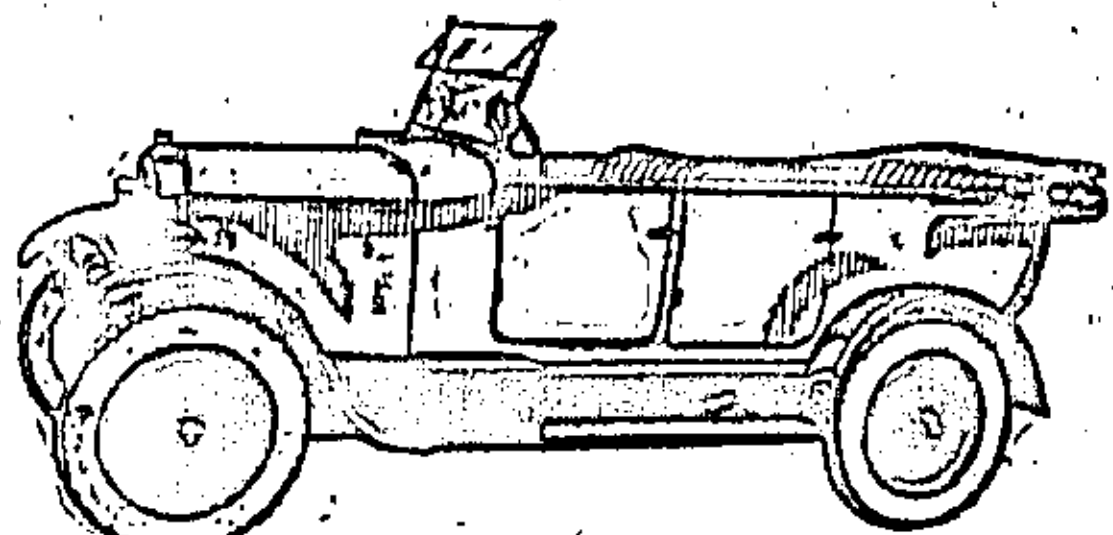
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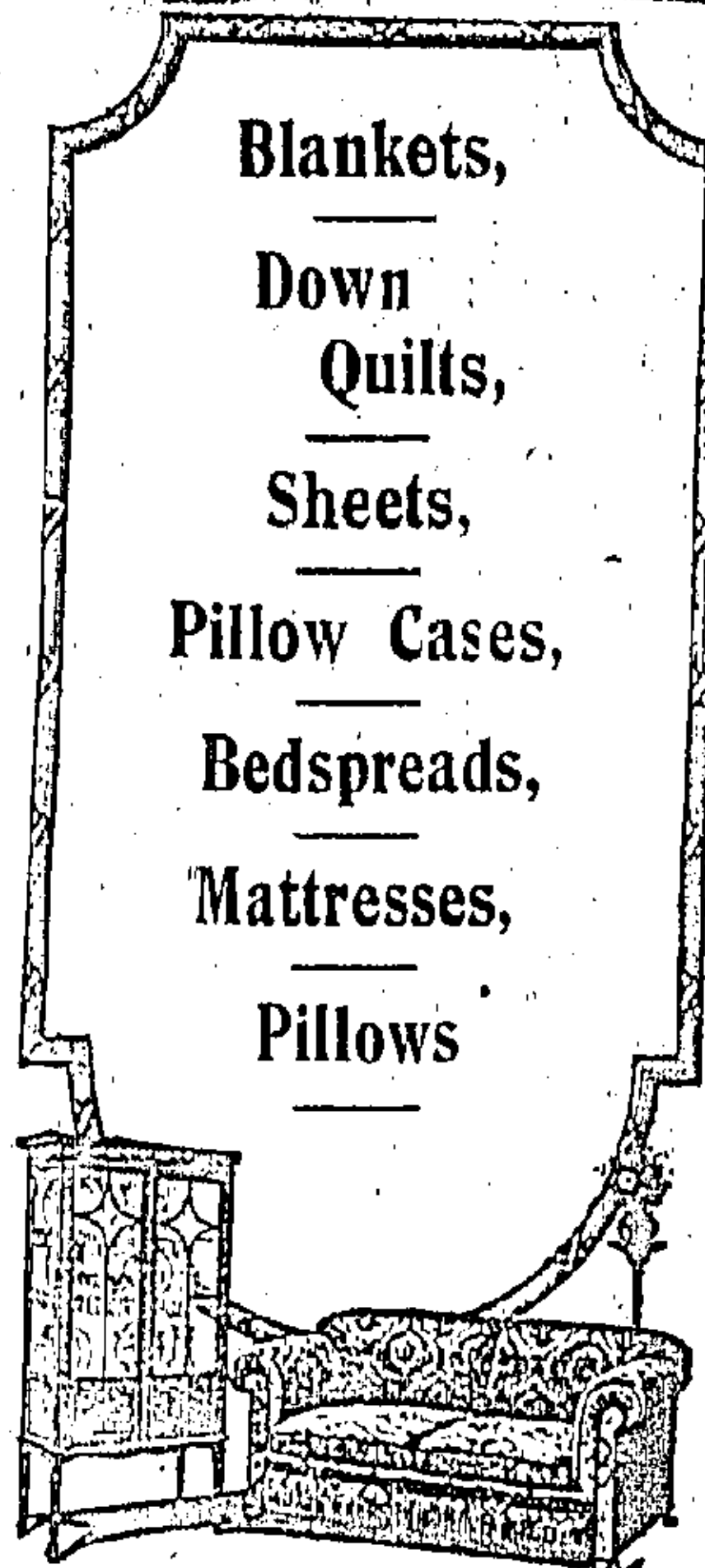
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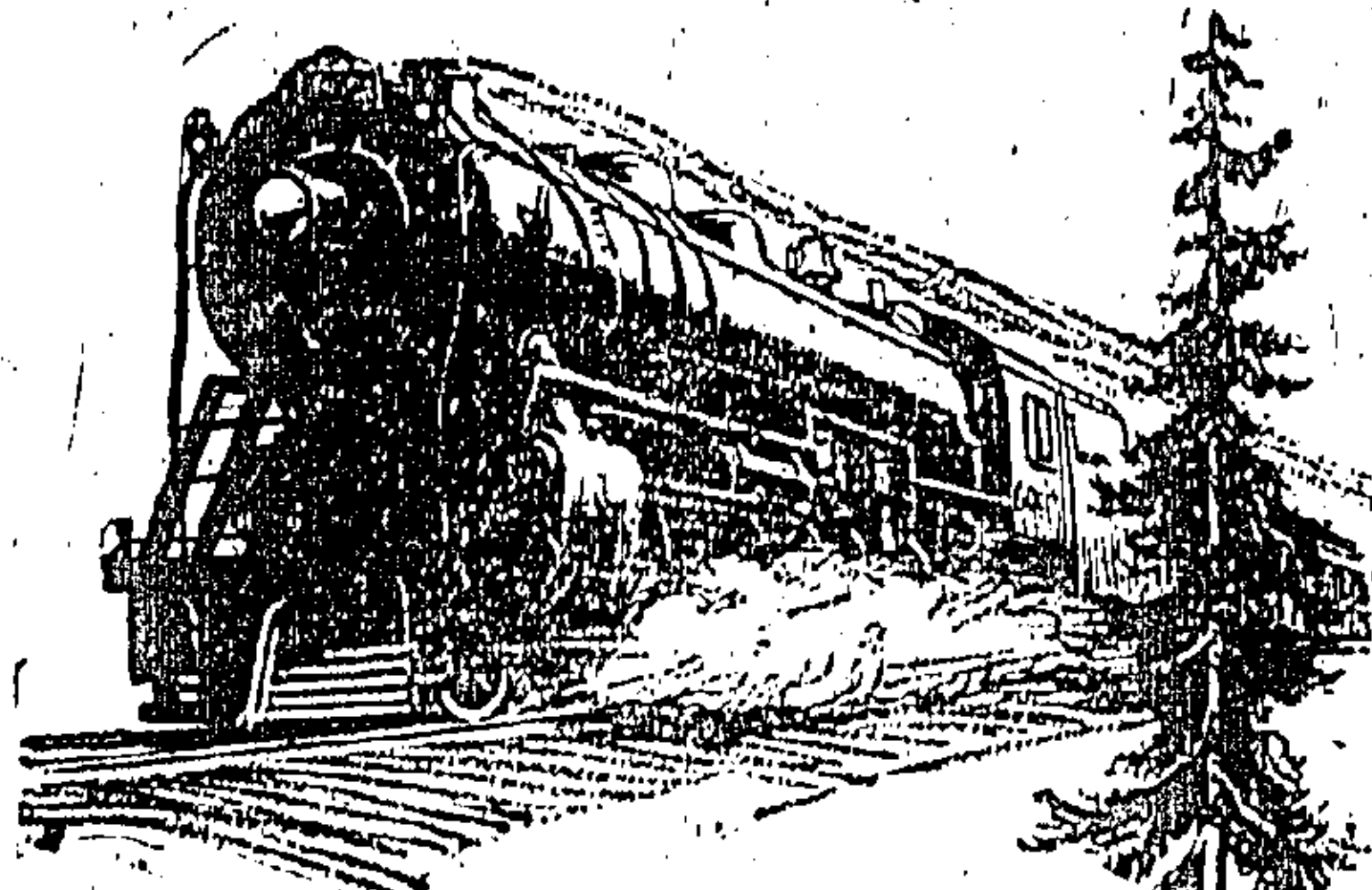
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## BORDER SHOOTING.

OPENING OF THE DEATH  
INQUIRY.

## Inspector Barnett's Story.

An account of the recent border shooting was given by Sub-Inspector D. W. Barnett at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Mr. R. E. Lindell opened the inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of the two victims. Neither of the men has been identified.

Mr. Lindell explained to the jury that the case concerned two unknown Chinese males, and he thought the evidence would show that they died as a result of bullet wounds inflicted by a revolver fired by Sub-Inspector Barnett. According to the facts he had before him, the Inspector, on the day in question, December 1, was proceeding from Sheung Shui to a village on the frontier.

He received certain information which made him ride on his cycle along the border. When near Sang Uk Ling he received further information which influenced him to return along the road he had come. While doing so he went up the hillside and saw three men.

One of the men went round the hill in one direction and fired two shots at the Inspector, and then disappeared in the direction of the frontier. The other two men made off in the other direction with the Inspector after them. He called to them to stop, but they failed to do so, and he opened fire on them.

He fired two shots, which took effect. The evidence showed that at the time when he received information, a robbery had been committed by three men in the neighbourhood. There was also evidence that the men were members of some sort of strike picket from over the border. It was for the jury to decide whether the shooting was justifiable or otherwise.

The jury consisted of Messrs. T. H. G. Bragfield (foreman), George Grimbly, and J. P. Bragan. Wounds in the Head.

The first witness called was Dr. J. T. Smalley, Government Medical Officer in charge of the New Territories. He said that on December 2, he examined the bodies of two Chinese males at the Government Mortuary, Kowloon, in the presence of Sub-Inspector Barnett.

In the first case the bullet fractured the skull at entry and exit, and tore a furrow in the brain.

In the second case, the bullet in passing, through, lacerated the brain freely, inflicted a severe fracture of the skull and caused more hemorrhage than in the previous case. Death must have been almost instantaneous. The skull in both cases was rather thin. The organs were all normal, and in each case the cause of death was the bullet wound.

Shots from 25 Yards. The wounds were consistent with the bullet having been fired from the revolver produced. He thought the injuries could have been caused if the shots had been fired from a range of 25 yards. The shots must have been fired from the rear and probably from the right also.

The foreman of the jury said he noticed the revolver was a .38 and he thought it would be effective at a greater range than that given.

The Coroner pointed out that the witness had said the wounds might have been caused at a range of 25 yards.

Dr. Luh Chuen-huen, assistant medical officer, New Territories, said that on December 1 at about 9 p.m. he received information by telephone from Sheung Shui, and he went to the Police Station. He saw there an unknown Chinese male, about 25 years of age, lying unconscious with bullet wounds on the right and left sides of the head. He was satisfied that nothing could save the man's life. He bound up the wound, but the man was dying. Half an hour later the man died in his presence.

He also saw the body of another man at the Station premises. In that case there was a bullet wound in the head as well. Mr. Gerrard (A.S.P.) mentioned that the doctor had been called to show that the police had done all they could for the men.

Inspector Barnett's Evidence. Sub-Inspector Barnett was next called to give evidence. The jurymen were accommodated with seats between the Coroner and the witness box so that they could study the various plans and maps, which included an aerial view of the district concerned. During

his evidence, Inspector Barnett indicated the various points he mentioned by showing the jurymen their position on the plans.

In his evidence he said that on December 1 he was in charge of Sheung Shui Police Station. At about three o'clock in the afternoon he was at the Station and received a certain report from a ricksha coolie. He reported that he was bringing in a sick Indian to the Station from Ta Ku Ling, and was near Lo Fong Gap when shots were fired. Witness turned out three Weihaiwei constables and told them to arm themselves.

He telephoned to the C.S.P. at Hongkong and also sent a message to Ta Ku Ling. Shortly after sending the Weihaiwei men, he followed them on his cycle. On reaching Sang Uk Ling he went to the hill overlooking Lo Fong Gap. He went on to Ta Ku Ling and found he could get no information there about the robbery which was reported to have taken place in the vicinity. He left word there for the Weihaiwei policemen to follow him on to Ta Ku Ling.

Report of a Robbery. He went about 200 yards on his cycle when he heard villagers shouting and someone blowing a whistle. He returned immediately and met a villager who appeared to have been running.

The man reported that there were three men running over the hillside, and that they had snatched things from women. They were running over the hills in the direction of the border. The man pointed in the direction as he gave the information.

Inspector Barnett said he could not see the men from where he was standing in front of the village. He jumped on his cycle and rode along the path leading north-west to Man Kam To. The ferry crosses the river which is the border of British territory at that point. Several villagers followed behind him on foot. He could see no one on the hillside at that time.

At the end of the hill near the ferry he dismounted and proceeded on foot by a path which leads round the West foot of the hills to the Ta Ku Ling road. After walking about 150 yards on the path, he started to go up the hillside, turning obliquely to the left up the hill. He got about half way up when he saw three Chinese running towards the frontier. They were about 300 yards away and on the same side of the ridge.

Inspector Fired At. Witness crouched down and waited for them to approach. He drew his revolver as soon as he saw them. The men turned to the right to go down a hollow in the hill, and at that time they were about 150 yards away from witness.

The men disappeared and he made straight for the top of the ridge. When about three parts of the way up a shot was fired from behind. He did not hear the bullet, but turned round and saw a Chinese running. The man was one of the three he had seen a short time before.

The man ran along the path at the bottom, taking a course parallel to that by witness when he came up. The man ran northwards towards the frontier. Witness turned round and as soon as he did so the man fired at him again. At that time about 80 yards separated the two.

The man then disappeared into a trench behind a bank close to the path. About the same time witness saw the other two men he had noticed previously. They were about 40 yards away, and emerged from a hollow on the Inspector's side of the ridge. He could just see their heads and shoulders.

Order To Stop Disobeyed. He called out in Chinese "Don't move," and covered them with his revolver. The men turned back, however, and ran through the hollow again. Witness went straight to the top of the ridge so as to cut them off. On reaching the position he noticed the men on the east side of the hill running obliquely downwards. They were then about 40 yards away.

He again called on them to stop, speaking in Chinese, and at the same time he fired one round low down in their direction. They then turned back on their tracks and ran up the hill again. Continuing his evidence the Inspector said:

"I rushed forward and fired two shots from a range of approximately 25 yards directly at them. I fired in rapid succession, trying to take an aim as I did so. Both men dropped. I waited there for about two minutes, I could just see their heads and backs. They were on their hands and

knees and not lying flat on the ground. I thought in my own mind that they were armed because the third man had fired."

Continuing the Inspector said that he connected the men with the report of the robbers who had snatched things from women.

Reasons for Firing. The Coroner: Why did you fire?

Witness: Because I thought they would fire at me.

The Coroner: They were running away though?

Witness: Yes. They would not stop.

The Coroner: Why did you fire when they were running away?

Witness: To stop them.

The Coroner: What would have happened if you had not fired?

Witness: They would probably have got me if they had been armed.

The Coroner: You fired to prevent them from firing on you, or escaping?

Witness: Yes. The Inspector added that he worked his way round behind the two men as he did not think he had hit them. He thought they were shamming dead. He got up to them and found he had shot both. The men were still on their hands and knees, and were groaning. They were both unconscious.

He searched them and found in the possession of one a pocket book, some Chinese documents and cards, and also some money. On the other he found a pocket book and 68 cents in copper coin.

Futile Search for Arms. By this time the Weihaiwei men had arrived. The two men were badly wounded and he could do nothing for them. He searched in the vicinity for arms but found none. About thirty yards away, and on the track where the men had run down the hill there was a green badge lying on the ground. It was pointed out to him by one of the villagers.

Witness went down to the ferry and returned to Sheung Shui on his cycle and reported what had occurred. Later he returned to the scene with bandages. By that time it was about 5.30 p.m. The two men were still alive when he returned. He bandaged up their wounds. Another police officer handed to him two further badges which were pinned together.

The two men were then carried down the hill, the first one dying as soon as the bottom was reached. It was then about six o'clock. The dead man and the other one were taken to the Station, arriving at Sheung Shui about 8.30.

On his first return he did not telephone to Dr. Luh, but he did so when he returned the second time.

Close On the Border. The second man died about ten o'clock the same evening. Next day both bodies were taken to Kowloon Mortuary, and witness was present when Dr. Smalley made his examination.

The Coroner: When you first saw the men how far were they on our side of the border?

Witness: About 400 or 500 yards.

The Coroner: When the shooting took place, how far were you from the border?

Witness: About 250 yards on our side.

Cheung Fat said that he was near the ferry mentioned on December 1. He saw the Inspector go by, and a short time before he had seen some women who said they had been robbed. Witness followed the Inspector up the hillside to see what he was going to do. He thought he was going to intercept two armed robbers. Witness did not see the robbery, but he stated that he saw the three robbers.

Inquiry Adjourned. He saw the three men on the hillside and noticed one of them run away. The third man had a revolver in his hand but witness did not see him fire it. He saw the shooting while he was lower down the hill than the Inspector. When the Inspector fired the two men were facing him.

The Coroner: And with their faces towards him he fired and shot them down?

Witness: Yes. Later, however, the witness said the men dodged back and it was then the Inspector fired. He went further up the hill and saw that the two men had been shot. He also noticed a green badge lying on the ground, which he handed to the Inspector. He picked it up at the spot where he saw the first man run away.

Evidence was also given by an interpreter who said he had translated the characters on the badges which had been found. After this evidence the inquiry was adjourned until Friday at 2.15 p.m.

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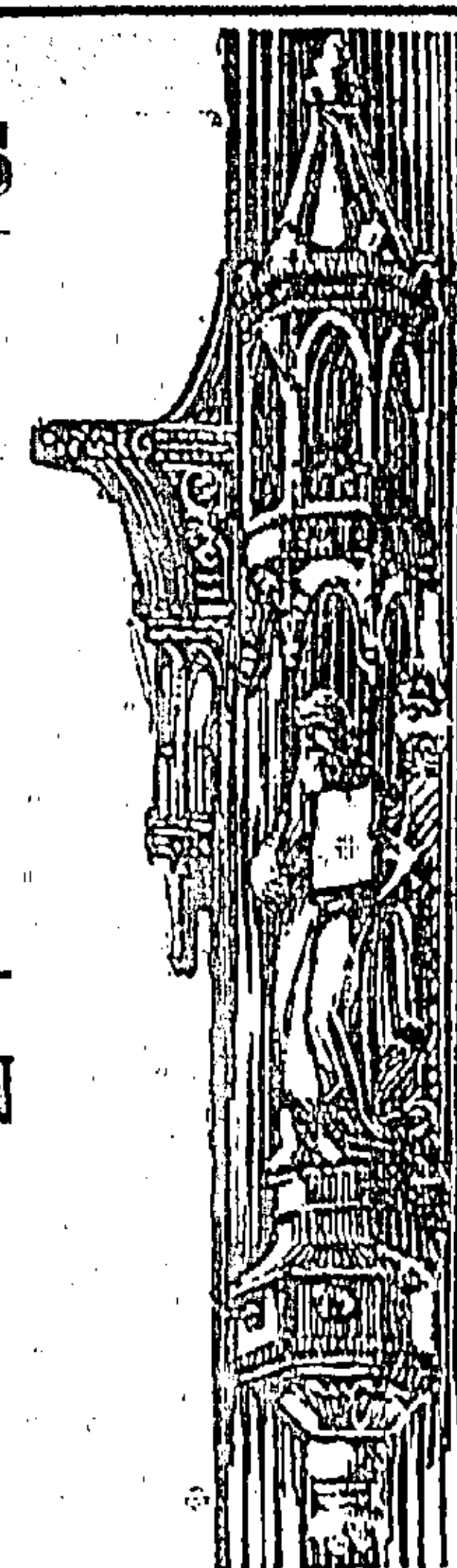
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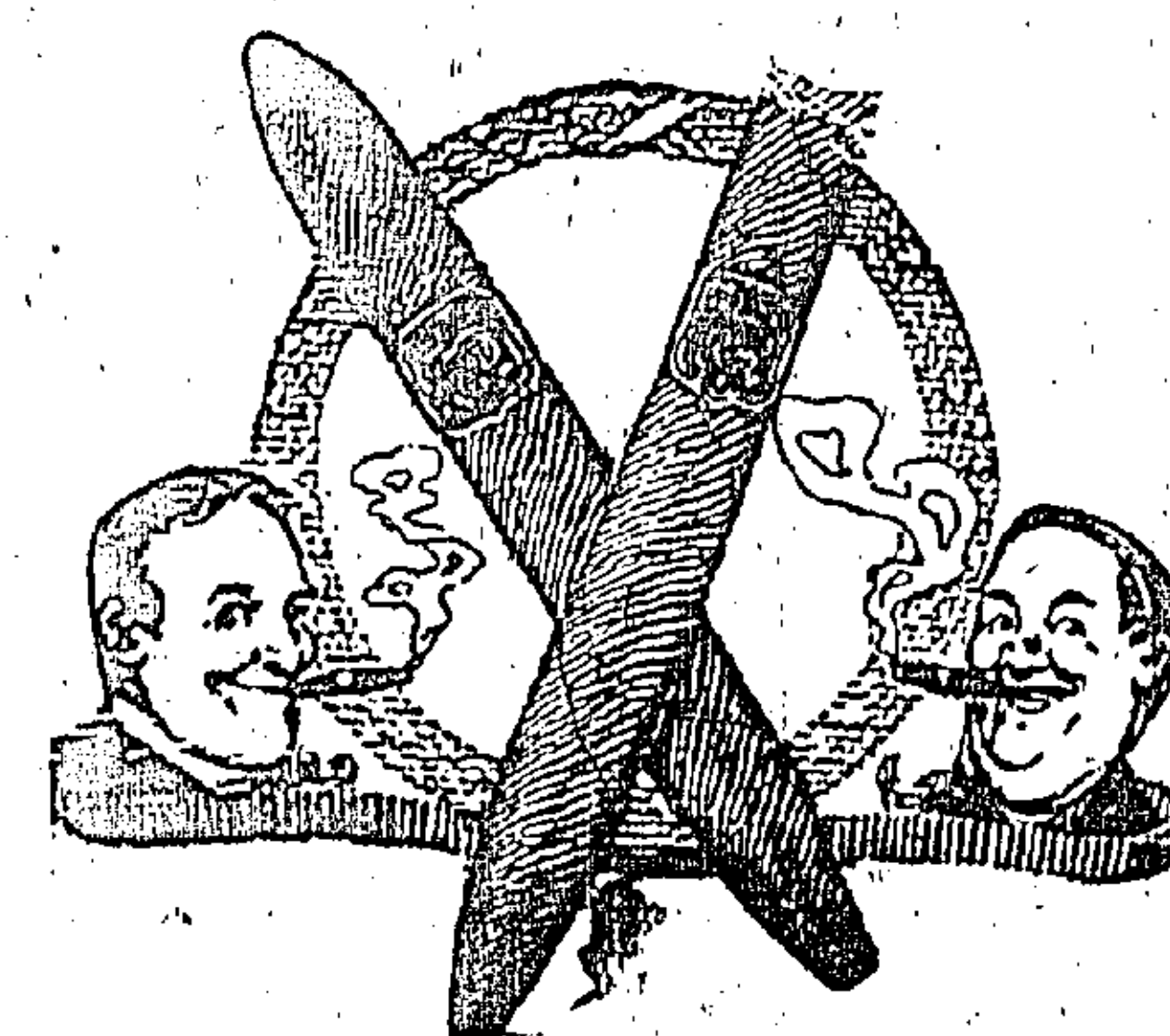
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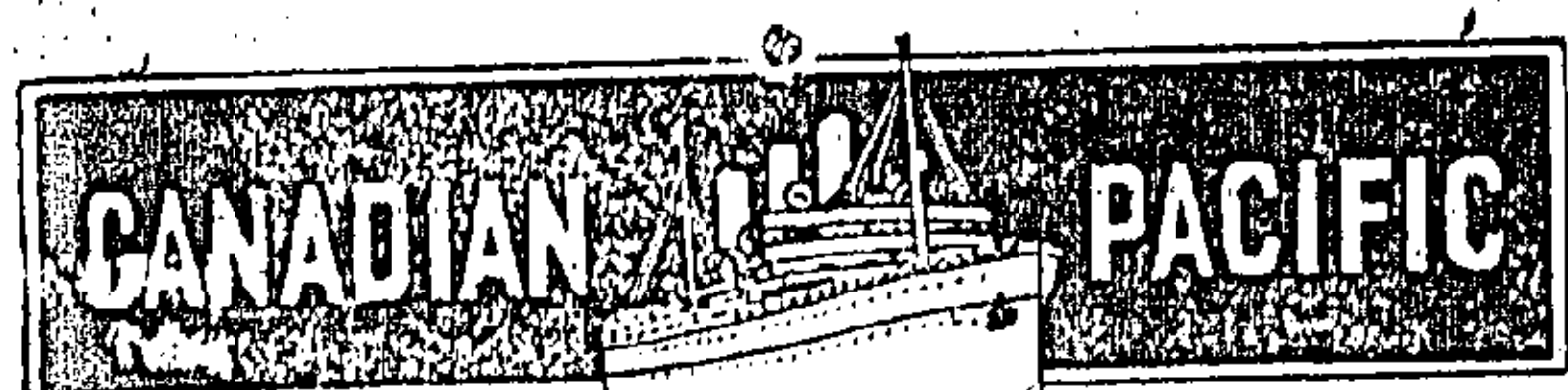
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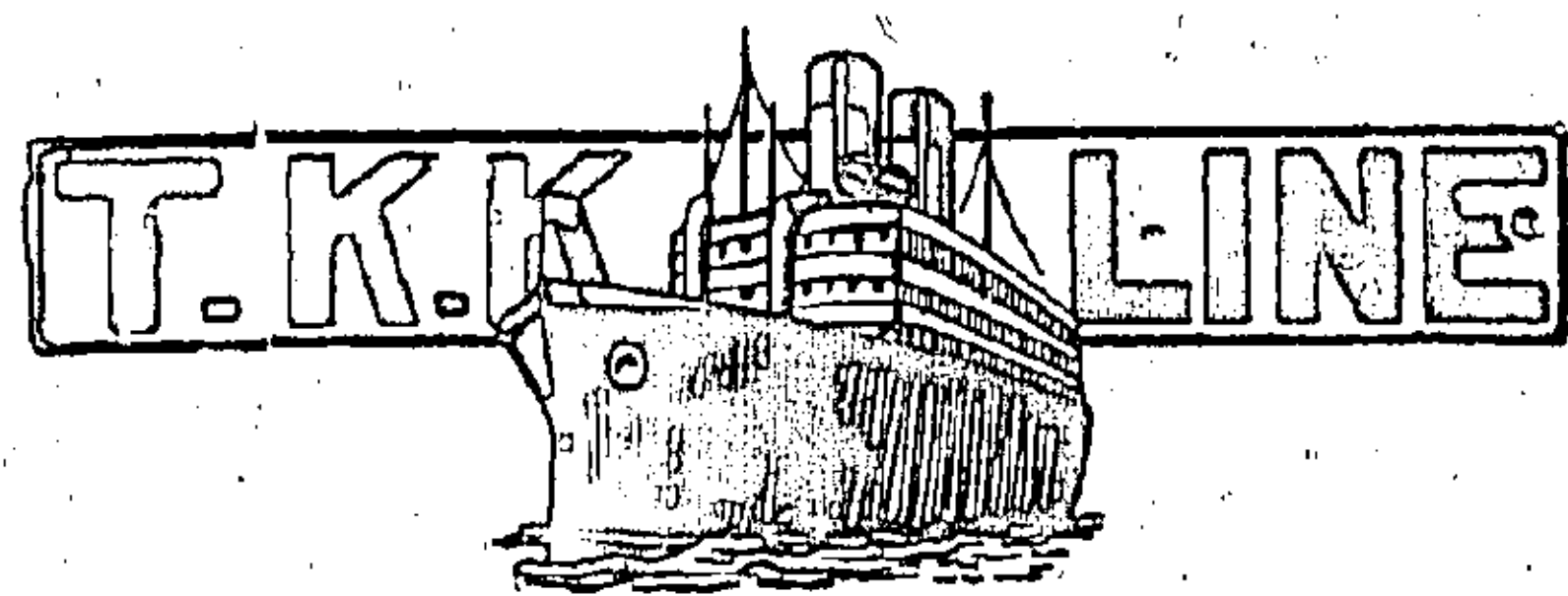
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 28	May 31	Jun. 3	Jun. 5	Jun. 14
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Jun. 11	Jun. 14	Jun. 16	Jun. 19	Jun. 30
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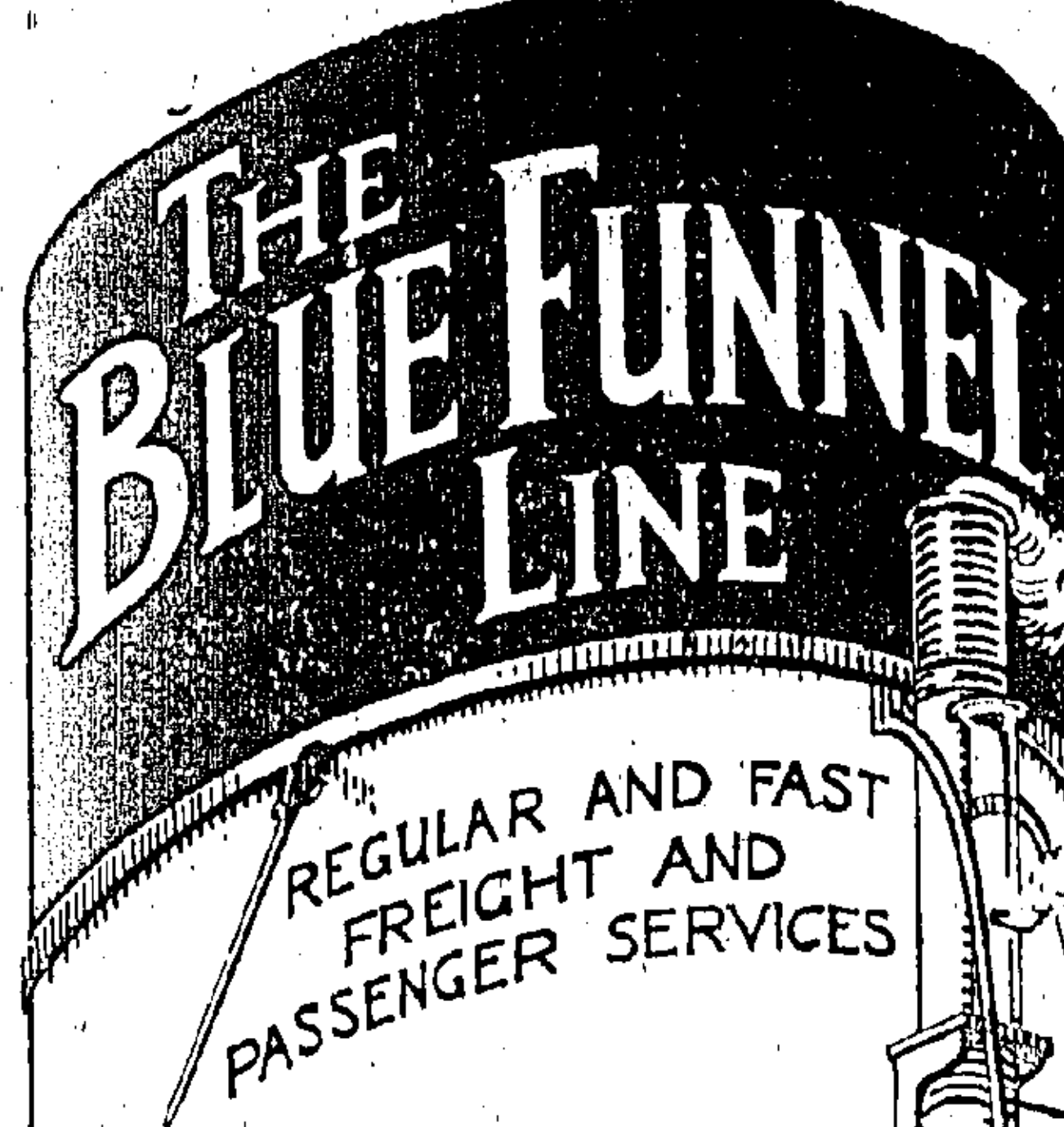
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### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY.

New York, December 15.  
Mr. Kellogg, entertained at a banquet by the Council of Foreign Relations, vigorously defended the foreign policy of the United States. He said the country's fixed determination to avoid participation in purely European political matters was deeply rooted in American history. "We will go to the utmost limit of reasonable co-operation for all legitimate purposes, but will not commit ourselves to the European system of alliances and counter-alliances to maintain the balance of power on that continent." Within the limitations of its policy the United States co-operated in every way in solving the great problems confronting Europe, encouraging and assisting economic construction.

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#### MR. HOOVER ON THE RUBBER SITUATION.

New York, December 15.  
Writing to Senator Capper on the rubber situation, Mr. Hoover dwells on the "trade war," and says that America's imports in 1925 will be 900,000,000 pounds, costing about \$198,000,000, "namely, \$133,000,000 above a fair price." He does not favour trade reprisals, but suggests, as "defensive measures," firstly the discouraging of American brokers from giving credits to these combinations, secondly a strong campaign for the voluntary saving of used rubber, thirdly the use of substitutes and fourthly the establishing of machinery to prevent American buyers from bidding against each other.—*Reuter's American Service.*

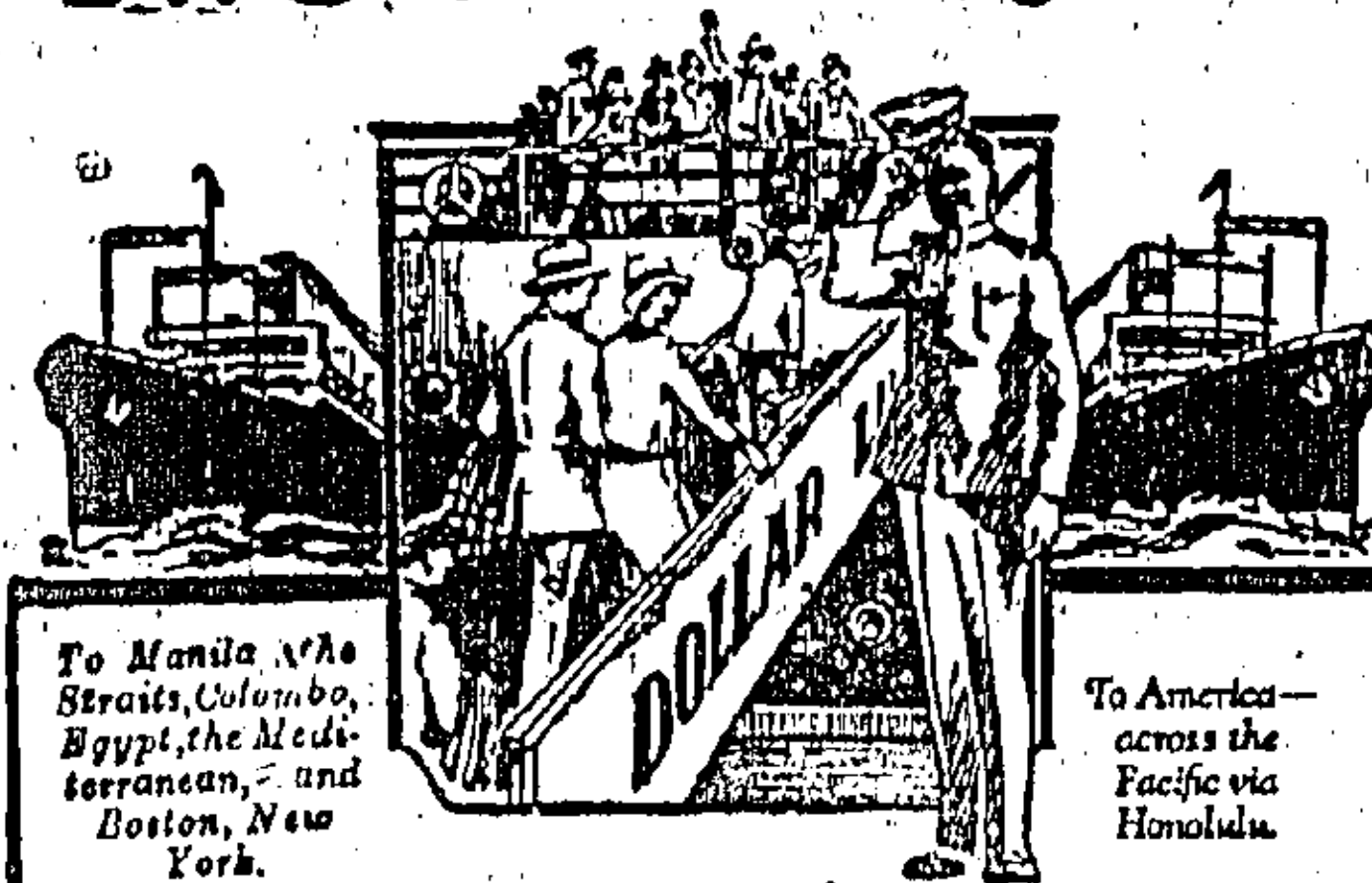
#### M. CHICHERIN IN PARIS.

Paris, December 15.  
M. Briand and M. Chicherin held another conversation yesterday, which, according to *Petit Parisien*, did not deal solely with the debts question.—*Reuter's American Service.*

#### BATTLING SIKI MURDERED.

New York, December 15.  
The French Senegalese boxer, Battling Siki, has been murdered, shot and knifed in a tough district, known as Hell's Kitchen.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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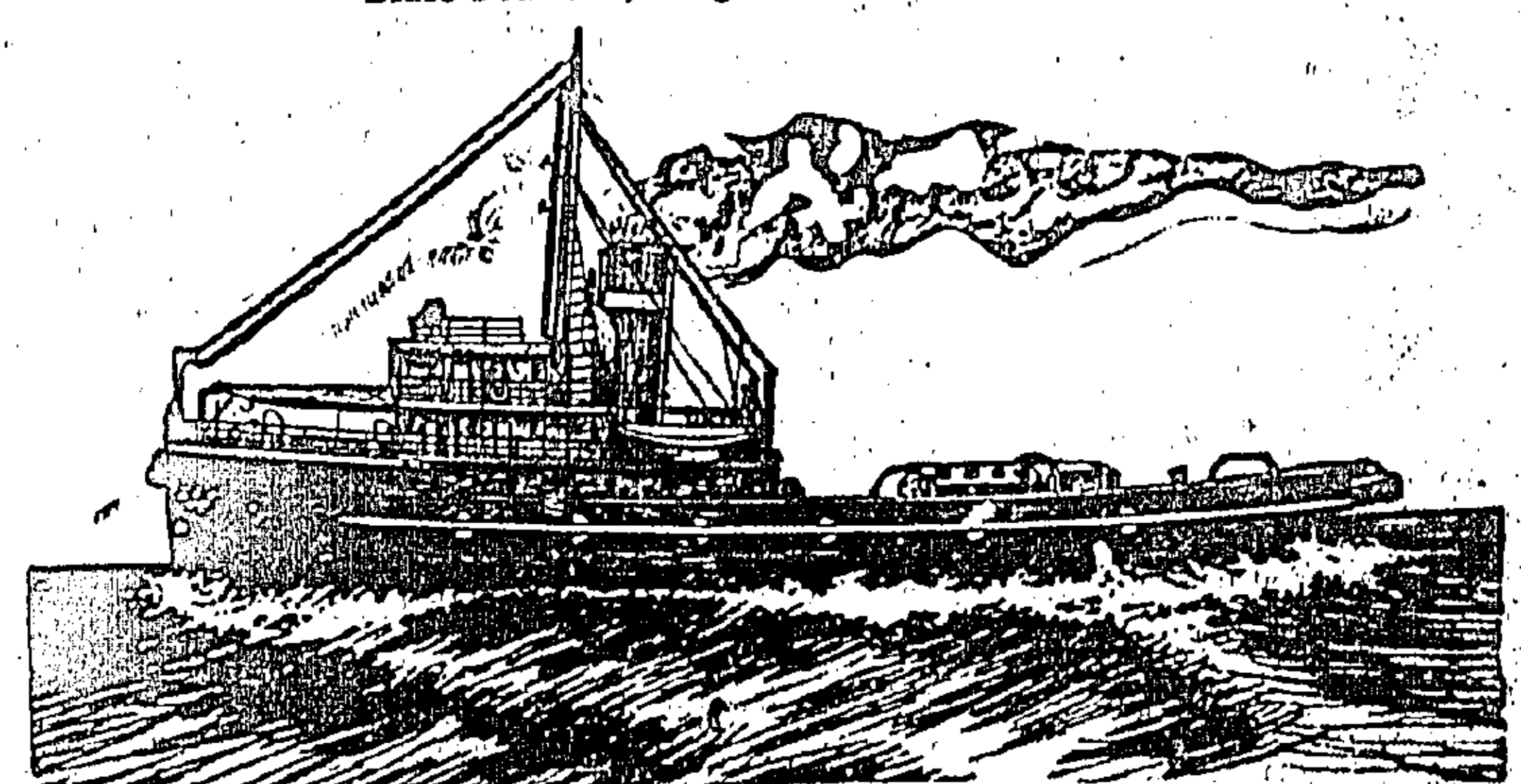
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DELTA 8,097	4th Feb.	S'pore, Pang, Cbo & B'bay
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KASHAIR 8,865	13th March	M's, L'don & Antwerp
KHIVA 1,135	20th March	M's, L'don & Antwerp
MOREA 10,918	3rd April	Marseilles & London
DEVANTA 8,155	17th April	M's, L'don & Antwerp
KALYAN 9,144	21st April	M's, L'don & Antwerp
MAEDONIA 11,059	1st May	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR 9,005	15th May	Marseilles & London

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TALAMBA 8,015	17 Dec. 11 a.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA 10,000	4th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
ARAFURA 6,000	6th Jan.	Manila, Sandakan, Thura
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KHYBER 9,114	26th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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## ARMY AND NAVY DRAW.

The first half of the "Sim" Shield Competition has ended with the honours divided equally between the Army and the Navy, the Club being behind with no points at all. The crucial game of the first half was played off last evening at the U. S. R. C. ground, Kowloon, between the Navy and the Army, and ended in a draw of three goals each. So far, the Navy and the Army have both secured two points and with one point each from the draw last night, they each have three points to their credit. If the teams continue their good form, there is every prospect of a close finish.

Both teams played well last night, and the Army did well to draw, although had they played as well in the second half as they did at the beginning there is every possibility they would have won. On the whole, the score is a fair standard to judge the game by, the teams being very evenly matched. Both goals underwent narrow escapes, and the goal keepers, Lt. Garwood (Navy), and Sgt. Clark (Army) are to be congratulated on the fine game they played. Often the backs on both sides dominated the play, and it was at those times that some remarkably good defensive work was seen.

At half-time, the Army were leading by three goals to one, a lead they had gained by untiring and tenacious play. The result of this exertion began to be noticeable on resuming, when they certainly did not sustain their form of the first half, with the result that the Navy, who improved as the game went on, managed to pull up and level the scores. The sailors are possessed of a staunch pair of backs in Emley and Wauchope, but they were not strong at the beginning, and showed their best form in the second half. Good tackling by the halves proved the undoing of many of the soldiers' attacks, and the forwards were particularly good in the second half. Burgess, centre forward, Nicholson and Sillitoe, in the rear, showed complete understanding with each other, and the wings were fast and reliable.

The Army forwards played well

as a team, and were fortunate in having strong defence in Sgt. Phillips, and Lt. Smith. These players shone in the latter part of the game when the Navy were attacking strongly. Capt. Allfree, at centre half, was the heart and soul of the team, and was well supported by Capt. Armstrong and Lt. Webb. Lt. Wright Neville at inside was one of the best forwards on the field, and Cpl. Master, outside right showed a good turn of speed which he used to advantage. At inside left Lt. Jacobs Lacombe was a hard worker. Lt. Dickens, at outside left, did not seem to play with his best form.

Dickens secured the lead for the Army when the game had been in progress for only a short time, and it was not long before Wright Neville increased the lead. The Army were playing strongly and the Navy defence had a strenuous time to keep them out. A forward pass by Simpson enabled Fleet to catch the ball in the air on his stick and without letting it touch the ground he centred, but Smith cleared. The Army returned to the attack, but combined efforts by Burgess and Wright Neville failed. Continual pressure was exerted by the soldiers. After a short bout of midfield play, Nicholson secured and after eluding several players drove the ball into the net. The Army again took up the offensive, and Wright Neville was just lifting his stick to shoot at close range when he lost the ball. Immediately afterwards the same player drove in a hard shot which went wide. A mistake by an Army defender let the Navy through, and Nicholson touched to Wilson, who put the ball too far forward, and Sgt. Clark cleared. In a Navy attack, Hill passed in front of goal to Fleet but the latter just failed to reach the ball. The sailors were now showing better form, but the soldiers still dominated the attack. Just before the interval one of the Army halves took a long shot at goal, and Garwood ran out and endeavoured to kick away. He misjudged it however and missed the ball, and just as it was on the goal line Wright Neville pushed it into the net. At half time the Army were leading by three goals to one.

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The soldiers started the second half strongly, and at the beginning several dangerous openings were only cleared by strenuous work by Sgt. Clark and Lt. Smith, with assistance from the halves. In the first minute, Hill received a well placed pass from Fleet, and sent in a first-timer which found the net. Mistakes now began to show themselves among the Army players, and the Navy were quick to take advantage. Two such mistakes nearly resulted in a goal, and it was only by the most strenuous efforts that the ball was cleared. The play being transferred to the other end, Garwood was compelled to come out of goal and kick away. For a short time the game became uninteresting, both sides played equally strongly, and neither seeming to be able to get the better of the other. Both sides attacked in turn, but were unable to score. Gradually the sailors began to get the upper hand of the game, and eventually Hill levelled the scores. Although both sides made strong efforts to secure the winning goal, no further scoring took place.

## ANOTHER MATCH.

Yesterday afternoon the Hockey Club 2nd XI met the Royal Artillery on the Marina ground, Kowloon, the former team winning by five goals to nil. The winners had much the better of the play, and goals were scored by Lyons (2), Price (2) and Garrod.

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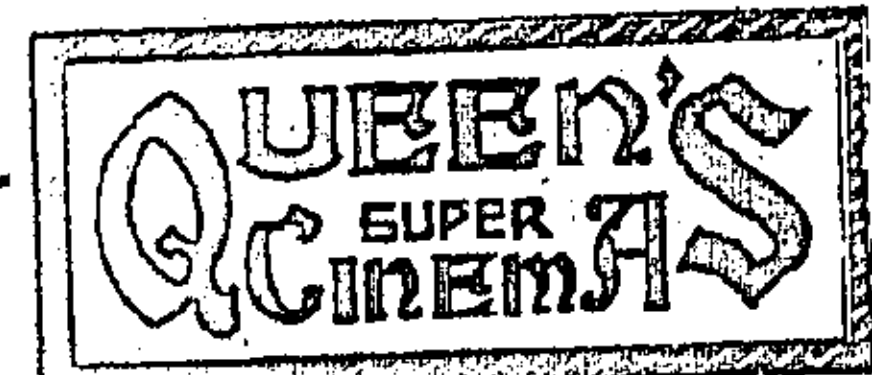
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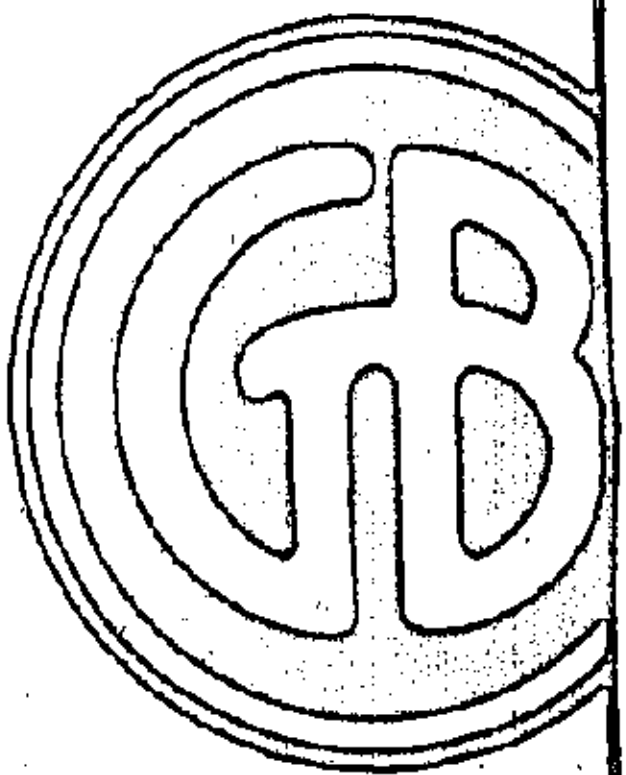
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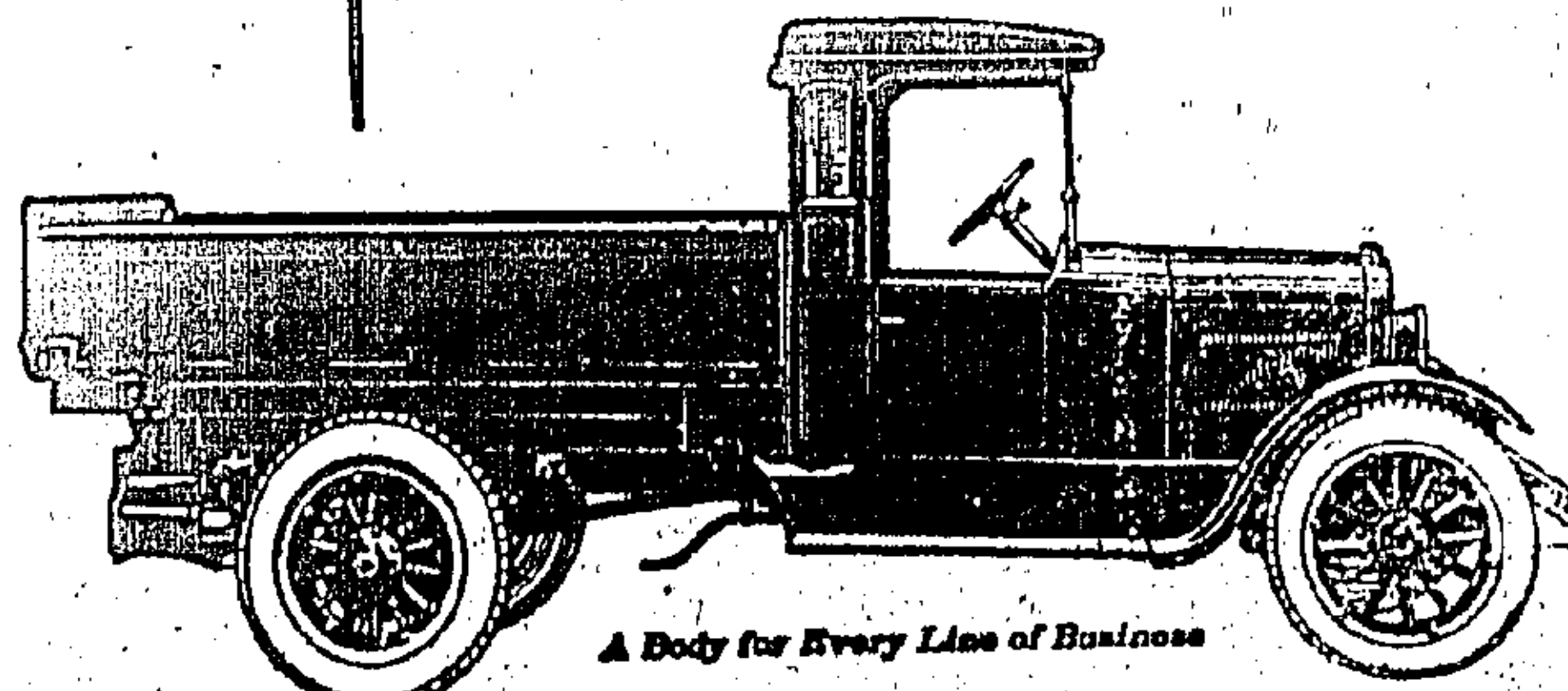
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